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BOARD OF TRADE.

The Movement Endorsed by Many Business Men.

Meeting Next Week, Thursday Night, For Organization.

Active measures for the organization of a Board of Trade have been taken, and it is now an assured fact.

A paper was circulated and signed by 113 men, representing different business interests and the professions. The paper and the signatures are as follows:

WHEREAS, The best results, in any community, can only be had by the employment of its labor and capital:

And believing that concert action on the part of those having material interests is necessary to afford such employment, and knowing that in other localities efforts in this direction have been made by the organization of local boards of trade, we, the undersigned, agree to organize a Board of Trade for the Town of Bloomsburg, Pa., the manner of organization and mode of operation to be agreed upon by a majority of the subscribers hereto, at a meeting to be convened when not less than fifty have subscribed to this agreement.

It being further understood that each subscriber hereto shall be liable for the payment of an annual subscription of five dollars, the first annual installment thereof payable when the required number have subscribed hereto, a meeting convened and a treasurer elected to receive the same.

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Jerre Geese,	C. W. Funston,
W. L. Demaree,	E. W. M. Low,
C. L. Cronin,	Geo. S. Robbins,
J. H. Giger,	H. J. Clark & Son,
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Thomas Gorrey,	J. Lee Harman,
Grant Herring,	H. V. White & Co.,
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G. H. Welliver,	L. D. Kase,
Geo. E. Elwell,	F. M. Keiner,
B. A. Gidding,	C. A. Kleim,
A. H. Bloom,	J. C. Rutter, Jr.
C. C. Peacock,	Ikeler & Ikeler,
S. B. Arment,	C. W. Miller,
G. M. Quick,	C. S. VanHorn,
F. J. Richard,	M. J. Hess,
R. Hawley, Jr.,	H. G. Eshleman,
F. N. Turner,	John Harman,
William H. Slate,	W. S. Rishton,
J. J. Brown,	Josiah Ralston,
H. W. Champlin,	E. P. Williams,
I.W. Hartman & Son,	E. B. Brower,
L. N. Moyer,	S. E. Reynolds,
Wm. Lowenberg,	F. M. Kelly,
W. H. Eyer,	Mifflin & Terwilliger,
Geo. P. Ringler,	E. F. Carpenter,
J. D. Armstrong,	L. P. Sterner,
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J. S. John,	Clyde C. Yetter,
O. B. Mellick,	James MacEwan,
W. M. Reber,	J. S. Williams & Son,
N. U. Funk,	Samuel Wigfall,
W. S. Moyer,	Harry Stees,
J. W. Bruner,	Samuel H. Harman,
H. Bierman,	H. F. Dieffenbach.

In pursuance of this paper a meeting was held in the Exchange Hotel parlor last Thursday evening, at which about 40 of the signers were present. C. C. Peacock, Esq., was choosen temporary chairman, and S. F. Peacock, secretary. After some general discussion a motion was adopted that a committee of five, including the chairman, be appointed to prepare a plan of organization, and to suggest the names of officers, and make report at a meeting to be held at the Court House on Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock.

The chair appointed the following persons as the committee: C. C. Peacock, J. C. Brown, Geo. E. Elwell, H. V. White and L. Gross.

The committee held a meeting on Thursday evening and worked several hours, but were unable to complete their labors, and so adjourned until Friday evening. A general meeting will be held at the Court House next Thursday at 8 p. m.

The paper is still open for signers, and all persons who desire to become members are requested to attend the meeting and sign the paper.

Money to Loan.

$1400 to loan on first mortgage on town property, at 5 per cent. and taxes. Apply to Geo. E. Elwell, Atty., Bloomsburg, Pa. tf

THEY STOLE WIRE.

Jess Sweigert and Jos. Fausey, in the Hands of the Law.

Both Parties Reside in Espy—Fausey Released on $800 Bail.

Tuesday night, about half-past eleven, as Night Watchman A. V. Hower was coming up the alley, between the Exchange Hotel and the Bloomsburg National Bank, his attention was attracted by a horse and wagon, standing in the rear of the old Presbyterian Church. He waited awhile, thinking of course, that the owner would put in an appearance. Concluding that something was wrong, he hastened to Main street, where he met Chief of Police Wesley Knorr and Miles Betz. After relating his find to the officers, the three repaired to the alley and conducted a thorough search. They were about to give it up for a hopeless job when they came across a man lying prostrate in the alley with a coil of telephone wire, containing about 5,280 feet, by his side. Upon questioning him the officers learned that the wire was the property of the Columbia & Montour Telephone Company, and that he had stolen it from the basement of the old Presbyterian Church. Unable to give a satisfactory explanation, he was arrested and placed in the lock-up over night.

At a hearing before Justice of the Peace Guy Jacoby, Wednesday afternoon, the man gave his name as Jess Sweigert, and said that he resided in Espy. He admitted having committed the theft. He said the horse and wagon belonged to Joseph Fausey, of Espy; that Fausey had agreed to buy all the wire he could steal, and had loaned him the horse and wagon to haul it. He gained an entrance into the basement with a key, he having recently been in the employ of the Telephone Company. Both were held for Court—Sweigert for having committed the theft, and Fausey for receiving stolen goods. Fausey furnished bail in the sum of $800. Sweigert was taken to jail.

ABOUT "FARM NEWS."

We have just learned that some of our subscribers, to whom the *Farm News* was sent as a gift, in 1897, are still receiving the paper, and that they have been getting notices from the publishers, claiming pay for more than two years. When the paper was ordered by us, in each case the cash was sent with it to pay for one year. We kept no record of the matter, supposing that at the end of the year the paper would stop, or, if it didn't, that each person receiving it would refuse to lift it. We never before had notice from any one that the *Farm News* was still coming on. Had we known it, we would have ordered them all stopped. We would suggest now that all who are getting it shall refuse to take it out of the office, and that all who have had letters from the publishers should notify this office, and we will do what we can to get the best settlement with them.

Hotel Gilmore was threatened with destruction Saturday. Robert Hawkins, the colored porter, was walking through the bar room, carrying a gallon can filled with gasoline, when, in some mysterious manner, it caught fire. The fluid spread over the floor with great rapidity, and it required the combined efforts of a dozen men to extinguish the blaze. The can was kicked out into the street and a hose turned on. An alarm was turned in and the Friendships and Winonas responded, but their succor was not needed. The wall, in some places, was scorched, but the damage was only trifling.

Court Procedings.

Court convened on Monday with a full bench.

Good Will Fire Company et. al. vs C. M. Hess et al. Hearing in open court. Motion to dissolve preliminary injunction filed by defendants. Plaintiffs entered motion to continue preliminary injunction.

Application of transfer of hotel license from Lemuel Drake to Conrad Ifland. Refused.

The Bloomsburg Wheelmen will not have a race meet this year.

SKULL FRACTURED

John Cole, of Coletown, Crushed Beneath Wagon Wheels.

Riter Goss, of Red Rock, Will be Called Upon to Answer A Serious Charge.

Death beneath the wheels of a heavy farm wagon, is the fate which befell John Cole while he in company with a friend Jacob Dirk, were returning home from a bicycle ride Saturday night. The casualty occurred a short distance above Benton. The circumstances of the tragic affair, in so far as we have been able to gather them are as follows: Saturday afternoon Cole and Dirk left their home in Coletown, with their bicycles to ride to Benton. They reached their objective point, and remained there until quite late in the evening. It was nearly eleven o'clock when they mounted their wheels and started on their homeward journey. The trip until they reached a point just across the Edson bridge, was without incident. Here they overtook four men in a big wagon. Desirous of reaching home as soon as possible, and as the road was not sufficiently wide to pass, Cole called to the driver of the wagon and asked him to allow them to pass. His request was met by a sarcastic rejoinder, which to give it verbatum was "no d —— man can go around this team." Concluding that the driver was under the influence of liquor, and realizing the danger surrounding an attempt to pass, they remained in the rear until about a mile had been traveled. Cole then thinking that he could go around, made a spurt, to one side, but he was noticed by the driver Riter Goss, who, maliciously and willfully turned the team over on him. The unfortunate man was crused beneath the huge wheels of the wagon. Fully aware of what he had done, and knowing that his victim was either seriously injured or dead, Goss never stopped the wagon, but continued on, Dirk was some distance behind his companion at the time, and when he arrived at the spot where the accident had taken place, was horrified to find his friend lying by the roadside and blood flowing from his mouth. He called to him but received no answer. Then bending over the prostrate form he found that life was nearly extinct. Dr. Winley of Benton was hastily summoned, but death took place before he arrived. A conveyance was secured and the remains taken to Benton and placed in charge of undertaker Ira McHenry. In compliance with the law in such cases, a coroner's jury was impanelled on Sunday, composed of Dr. J. W. Winley, S. F. Appleman, J. J. Mather, Dr. I. E. Patterson, Russel Karns and Lowry Cole. The finding of the jury was as follows:

"The dead man was John Cole, and that he came to his death on the public road leading from Benton to Jamison City and at a point near Edwards dam where the mill race crosses the aforesaid public road in the township of Benton, on July 21, about 10:30 p. m., by means of a wound inflicted by a wagon passing over the head of John Cole causing a multiple fracture and that the wound was administered and death caused by the wilful, malicious and unlawful act of one Riter Goss and others by wilfully and maliciously running down John Cole and deliberately driving over his body and crushing his skull, thus causing his instantaneous death."

Armed with a warrant for the arrest of Goss, Constable Boyd Gibson, went to Red Rock on Sunday. He secured his prisoner, and brought him to Bloomsburg Monday morning. Without bail, Goss was given a cell in the jail, where he will remain until the September term of court.

John Cole was born near Unityville about twenty seven years ago. At the age of four years he became a member of the household of Lafayette Unger, with whom he lived until he was eighteen, when he began life for himself. For more than a year past he had been employed in a saw mill at Coletown. From a person who was intimate with him, we learn that he was of a quiet disposition, and respected in the neighborhood in which he resided.

There are more prisoners confined in the Columbia County jail now than at any other time during Sheriff Black's term.

THE TROLLEY ROAD

Delay Has Been Caused by the Refusal of a Few Owners Along Line to Release.

President B. F. Meyers in Town.

Ex-Congressman B. F. Meyers and E. L. Mumma of Harrisburg, arrived in town on Tuesday on business connected with the proposed trolley road from Danville to Berwick. Mr. Meyers is President of the company. He has had large experience in trolley roads, and after going over the ground he is satisfied that the road will prove a paying investment. He says that if the right of way could have been secured when the project was first started, the cars would have been running now. Releases have been obtained from all the abutting owners along the line but a very few, and these few have thus far blocked the progress of the road.

Had releases been obtained to assure capitalists and large money centers that there was no possibility of interruption by the public or individuals along the line, the road would have been constructed without asking residents of this community to invest in either stock or bonds of the road, and thus the risk of the investment would have been assumed by foreign capitalists. Should it prove a financial failure the loss if any, would not fall on local capitalists, and should it prove successful, as it undoubtedly would, it would afford to local investors an opportunity to put their money where the investment would be safe and the returns sure.

Mr. Meyers is so well satisfied that the road will be a success that he says the probabilities are that the line will be constructed from Bloomsburg to Almedia very soon. As before stated the whole line can be built with foreign capital, but the money centers will not invest in a short link, as it is too small a matter for them to go into, and hence the money for this link must be raised locally, and Mr. Meyers and his friends are willing to subscribe a liberal amount towards it.

Mr. Meyers and Mr. Mumma went home on Wednesday.

SHERIFF'S SALES.

Sheriff W. W. Black had a good-sized audience at his office in the Court House, Saturday afternoon. Four properties were disposed of in quick order. The bidding on the first two was quite lively.

Property of Samuel Knorr, in Centre township, to Lafayette Trivelpiece for $4,000.

Property of Mary J. Pursel, in Hemlock township, to Sarah J. Brown's executors for $800.

Property of Silas Getz, in Fishingcreek township, to A. W. Duy, Atty., for $135.

Property of Samuel Neyhard, in Bloomsburg, to Anglo-American Saving and Loan Association for $100.

J. G. WELLS,

Successor to S. F. Peacock & Co., Market Square.

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Hay Rope,

Scythes,

Forks, &c.,

Canning Boilers.

Come and see my bargain table, on which I am closing out a lot of goods at cost and less.

J. G. WELLS,
GENERAL HARDWARE.

PRUDENTIAL ✻ PEOPLE.

With the thermometer at 100.

With ice at 70.

With thin coats at 50.

With Summer Suits at lower quotations.

With Pantaloons drooping==in price.

With white and fancy Vests declining.

With Boys' Clothes without a margin of profit.

With gilt=edged stock that goes without trust.

Can it be wondered that so many prudential people make investments with us?

Ben. Gidding,

Bloomsburg, Penn'a.

Come in and see us—we'll treat you right.

'TIS A LONG CRY to July 31st, when we take inventory. But it's coming, and at that time we want to feel ourselves poor in goods. Our rule is to move slow-selling goods at any price. We won't wait until the last week in July to put the knife into the prices, but we start now, when the goods are seasonable. We mention a few things:

Silks.

Suitable for waists. Silk remnants, 20, 25, 40, 50 and 70c. Their value is just double this.

White dimity, reduced from 20c. to 12½c, and from 15c. to 10c.

Shirt Waists.

Which were good value at 50c., now 25c., and others that were 35 and 50c., now 20c.

Remnants

Of Marseilles, to close, from 28c to 18c.

Barred Nainsook, reduced from 20 and 25c., to 10 and 15c.

Shirt Waists.

Of India linen, Pique and other seasonable stuffs, were $1.00 and $1.25. To close out the lot, 50c.

Shirt waists, which were $1.50, $1.75 and $2.00, now $1.25.

Bargains in Doylies & Crash Silks

We are closing out Richardson's wash silks at 3½c. per skein. We are also closing out our stock of doylies. These are new goods, bought for this season, but as we have decided to discontinue selling this class of goods, the price will be just cut in half.

Grocery Department.

You certainly must like the goods we handle. The business in this department is steadily growing every month. We will serve you better, the more business we get from you.

Rugs, Rugs, Rugs, Rugs.

We have them. from the small velvet rug, 18x30, to the carpet size, 12x15. No one can show you the line of these goods that we do. Consider what it means to give you a selection out of 40 rugs, and at all prices. We will give you a velvet rug, suitable for a porch rug, at $1.10. $1.50 would be a reasonable price for them. Our carpet stock is full. We keep it so. The newest designs and colorings are always seen on our floors. We will close out our mattings at cost price.

THE LEADER STORE COMPANY, Ltd.,

4TH AND MARKET STS., BLOOMSBURG.

WAITING FOR CHINA.

Chances For Mediation Not Considered Bright.

UNITED STATES TO UNDERTAKE TASK

President's Reply to the Emperor's Appeal Not Expected to Bring an Answer For Several Days—Text of the Correspondence.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—The state department is again in a waiting attitude regarding China. It has frankly, promptly and fully answered the Chinese emperor's appeal for mediation, and the next move is for the Chinese government. It is expected to accept or reject our terms at once, and in either case the answer must convey tidings of the state of affairs at Peking and the welfare of the legationers.

The belief is not concealed here that the chances for successful mediation are slight. Mediation cannot be forced upon a party to a cause. It must be acceptable to all the parties. If the United States is to mediate in China's interest, she must first secure the assent of all the powers who have suffered in life or property at Peking. The difficulties in the way of such an undertaking are likely to be many and serious in view of the exhibition of feeling in Europe. But it is said here that the United States will cheerfully undertake the task provided its conditions are met. If it does not succeed in inducing the European powers to be lenient in their treatment of the imperial government of China, the United States government will not be drawn into further hostilities after we have taken care of our own affairs, but we will withdraw, taking care, however, to let it be understood that this government will not allow its proper interest in China to be injured by the action of any of the powers that may choose to remain obdurate.

At least one of the greatest of the powers is under strong suspicion here of acting cold bloodedly and without regard to sentiment or anything more than the most material of considerations. It is believed here that this power is quietly taking measures to drop out of the league at Tien-tsin and conduct a campaign on its own account against Peking, and it is even suspected that this power is already moving troops toward the Chinese capital.

One fact regarded as now beyond need of further demonstration in view of the Chinese appeal is that the Chinese officials at the coast ports are actually in communication with whatever remains of the imperial government at Peking, and the text of Kwang Su's appeal appears to establish the fact that the Chinese government itself is sanctioning the resistance to the international advance upon Peking.

The state department and the Chinese legation substantially agree in the estimate of six to eight days as the time necessary to get a reply to the president's answer to the appeal of the Chinese government. According to the best information here urgent messages are being transmitted between Peking and Shanghai by the "flying express" mentioned in Consul Fowler's cablegram a few days ago. This, according to the Chinese, is a relay system of mounted messengers similar to the old pony service across the plains and is used when the wire communication is interrupted. The relay riders make about 200 miles a day. It is 400 miles from Shanghai to Peking, and this seems to agree very well with the speed made in forwarding and returning the Conger message.

Secretary Root said yesterday that he supposed the Fourteenth infantry had arrived at Taku. By the end of this month the United States would have 5,000 troops in China. He said the reports of yellow fever among the soldiers of the First infantry would not prevent the departure of that regiment from Cuba.

The following correspondence between the president of the United States and the emperor of China has been made public by the state department:

Translation of a cablegram received by Minister Wu on July 20, 1900, from the taotai of Shanghai, dated July 19, 1900:

"Have received a telegram from Governor Yuan of Shanghai dated 23d day of this moon (July 19), who, having received from the privy council at Peking a dispatch embodying an imperial letter to the president of the United States, has instructed me to transmit it to your excellency. The imperial message is respectfully transmitted as follows:

"'The Emperor of China to His Excellency, the President of the United States, Greeting:

"'China has long maintained friendly relations with the United States and is deeply conscious that the object of the United States is international commerce. Neither country entertains the least suspicion or distrust toward the other. Recent outbreaks of mutual antipathy between the people and Christian missions caused the foreign powers to view with unwarranted suspicion the position of the imperial government as favorable to the people and prejudicial to the missions, with the result that the Taku forts were attacked and captured. Consequently there has been clashing of forces, with calamitous consequences.

"'The situation has become more and more serious and critical. We have just received a telegraphic memorial from our envoy, Wu Ting Fang, and it is highly gratifying to us to learn that the United States government, having in view the friendly relations between the two countries, has taken a deep interest in the present situation. Now China, driven by the irresistible course of events, has unfortunately incurred well nigh universal indignation.

"'For settling the present difficulty China places special reliance in the United States. We address this message to your excellency in all sincerity and candidness, with the hope that your excellency will devise measures and take the initiative in bringing about a concert of the powers for the restoration of order and peace. The favor of a kind reply is earnestly requested and awaited with the greatest anxiety.

"'Kwanghsu, 26th year, 6th moon, 23d day (July 19, 1900).'

"It is, therefore, my duty to transmit the above with the request that your excellency, in respectful obedience of imperial wishes, will deliver the same to its high destination and favor me with a reply.

YU LIEN-YUAN,
"Taotai at Shanghai.

"Kwanghsu, 26th year, 6th moon, 23d day (July 19, 1900)."

This cablegram was at once communicated to the president at Canton, and the following is his reply:

"The President of the United States to the Emperor of China, Greeting:

"I have received your majesty's message of the 19th of July and am glad to know that your majesty recognizes the fact that the government and people of the United States desire of China nothing but what is just and equitable. The purpose for which we landed troops in China was the rescue of our legation from grave danger and the protection of the lives and property of Americans who were sojourning in China in the enjoyment of rights guaranteed them by treaty and by international law. The same purposes are publicly declared by all the powers who have landed military forces in your majesty's empire.

"I am to infer from your majesty's letter that the malefactors who have disturbed the peace of China, who have murdered the minister of Germany and a member of the Japanese legation and who now hold besieged in Peking those foreign diplomatists who still survive, have not only not received any favor or encouragement from your majesty, but are actually in rebellion against the imperial authority. If this be the case, I most solemnly urge upon your majesty's government to give public assurance whether the foreign ministers are alive, and if so, in what condition; to put the diplomatic representatives of the powers in immediate and free communication with their respective governments and to remove all danger to their lives and liberty; to place the imperial authorities of China in communication with the relief expedition so that co-operation may be secured between them for the liberation of the legations, the protection of foreigners and the restoration of order.

"If these objects are accomplished, it is the belief of this government that no obstacles will be found to exist on the part of the powers to an amicable settlement of all the questions arising out of the recent troubles, and the friendly good offices of this government will, with the assent of other powers, be cheerfully placed at your majesty's disposition for that purpose.

"WILLIAM M'KINLEY.

"July 23, 1900.
"By the President:
"JOHN HAY, Secretary of State."

WORD FROM CONGER.

Alleged Genuine Message From Our Minister In Peking.

WASHINGTON, July 21.—Like a flash of sunlight out of the dark sky came the intelligence yesterday that United States Minister Conger had sent a cipher cable dispatch from Peking to the state department at Washington making known that two days ago he was alive and that the foreigners were fighting for their safety. The minister, Mr. Wu Tung Fang, received the message. Within an hour the welcome intelligence that Conger had been heard from after weeks of silence and evil report was flashed throughout the country and indeed throughout the world, dispelling the gloom which had prevailed everywhere and bringing to officials and to the public generally a sense of profound relief.

The dispatch was in reply to Secretary Hay's cable inquiry to Minister Conger on July 11, and as both messages were in the American cipher code they were regarded by the officials as above the suspicion of having been tampered with in the course of transmission through Chinese channels. Mr. Wu promptly communicated the dispatch to the state department, where the translation was made from the cipher figures, and soon all Washington was astir with the intelligence.

The message was signed "Conger" and read as follows:

"In British legation under continued shot and shell from Chinese troops. Quick relief only can prevent general massacre."

The government accepted the message as authentic, and Secretary Hay transmitted it to all our embassadors and ministers abroad with instructions to lay it before the respective governments to which they are accredited and to urge upon them the necessity of co-operation for the immediate relief of the foreigners at Peking.

Belgium Hears of Legations' Safety.

BRUSSELS, July 25.—In the chamber of deputies yesterday the minister of foreign affairs, M. de Favereau, read a telegram from the viceroy of Nankin, Liu Kun Yi, declaring that the foreign legations were safe. M. de Favereau added: "Only a dispatch, however, from the Belgian minister in Peking can calm the legitimate emotion felt throughout Belgium. Meanwhile the Belgian government has given the Belgians in China an authorization to enlist in the international corps and to place themselves under the protection of the foreign armies. The government favors sending a Belgian expedition to China, which appears to be the desire of the country."

Chaffee a Major General.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—The president has appointed Brigadier General A. R. Chaffee, U. S. V., who is to command the American military forces in China, a major general of volunteers in order that his rank should be commensurate with his command. This action was received with great satisfaction at the war department and in official circles generally, where General Chaffee is held in the highest esteem.

Horrible Sight In Kumassi.

LONDON, July 24.—Advices just received here say that Colonel Willcocks, the commander of the relief column in Ashanti, describes his entrance into Kumassi July 15 as presenting a scene of horror and desolation, burned houses and putrid bodies being visible on all sides. He adds that the native soldiers were too weak to stand and that the British officers thanked God for the relief, as a few more days, they declared, would have seen the end. Colonel Willcocks left the garrison well supplied with food and ammunition.

Beckham Nominated.

LEXINGTON, Ky., July 21.—At 3 o'clock yesterday morning the Democratic state convention nominated for governor J. C. W. Beckham, the present incumbent. The names of Judge Black of Bardoursville and Judge Tarvin of Newport were also placed before the convention, but when Morgan county was reached on the roll call Beckham had the 547 votes necessary to nominate, and the other candidates were withdrawn and the nomination made unanimous.

Afraid of Their Tea.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., July 25.—Fear that the Chinese Boxers will poison the tea which is exported from that country has led several aged people here to discontinue using that beverage.

LONDON HAS DOUBTS.

Assertions of Chinese Minister Not Believed.

LITTLE HOPE FOR SAFETY OF ENVOYS

Sir Claude MacDonald's Letter of July 4 Only Strengthens Conviction That Massacre Took Place In Peking Soon After.

LONDON, July 25.—The Chinese minister, Sir Chih-Chen Lo Fang Luh, had a long interview with Lord Salisbury yesterday afternoon. The general situation was discussed, and the Chinese minister reiterated his belief that the British minister to China, Sir Claude MacDonald, and the other foreigners at Peking were safe. Lord Salisbury reiterated his demand for direct communication with the minister at Peking. To this request the minister could only renew his protestations that it would be speedily accomplished if feasible. He adduced no new facts to prove his assertions. The interview closed without result.

Despite the Chinese minister's statements and despite Sir Claude MacDonald's letter of July 4, a strong impression continues to prevail at the foreign office that the ministers at Peking were massacred July 6. Not one scintilla of evidence is yet in the possession of the foreign office leading them to disbelieve the reports of the murders. Sir Claude MacDonald's letter, with its account of severe fighting in progress, merely confirms the government's forebodings. Mr. William Pritchard Morgan, member of parliament for Merthyr Tydvil, whose knowledge of and interests in China are extensive, said that he was positive, from cable messages from his agents, that the members of the legations were alive July 9. When the foreign office was told this, the rejoinder was made: "Mr. Morgan has submitted no evidence to convince us of the truth of his statement, however anxious we may be to believe it."

Consultations are in progress between cabinet ministers and officials as to the course to be pursued should the ministers prove to be alive. The contingency of China holding them as hostages is uppermost in the minds of all. The Chinese diplomats have not yet hinted at such action.

Negotiations between the powers have brought out mutual assurances that the military expeditions to China are for the sole purpose of relieving the legations and that there is no intention to partition China. Hence, should China agree to deliver the ministers alive no power will have a reason for continuing aggressive military operations except Germany, whose minister is undoubtedly dead, and even Germany, to quote a high British official, "will have to forego the emperor's assertion that he would not stop till the German flag floated over Peking."

As for the other powers, it is emphatically stated that they have unanimously agreed that with the safe delivery of the ministers the aggressive campaign ends. All rumors of an international agreement regarding the future of China subsequent to the return of the ministers are false. The agreement is purely negative and based upon the lines stated by Secretary Hay, of which the independence and integrity of the Chinese empire are essential features. No territorial propositions will be considered. In common with the other powers Germany must, through arbitration or otherwise, gauge the damages by the loss of the life of her minister by a pecuniary standard. The same rule will apply as to the loss of other lives and destruction of property.

Noiseless as Well as Smokeless.

HAZLETON, Pa., July 21.—A noiseless and smokeless gunpowder has been invented by John Bohenengel, a German, of this city. He is employed as molder in the Hazelton Iron works, but is of an inventive turn of mind and has some knowledge of chemicals and explosives. At a private exhibition given a few days ago the practicability of his discovery was made apparent. A shell loaded with his powder was fired at a target 50 yards away. The only sound indicating the explosion was the falling of the plunger on the shell. The bullet struck the target, an inch board, and went clear through it.

A Treasure Ship.

VICTORIA, B. C., July 24.—The richest Klondike treasure ship of the season, the steamship Amur, has just arrived here with 80 passengers, who, among them, had gold dust valued at $1,000,000 and drafts for another $1,000,000. Most were claim owners. A few of them have sold out, but the majority are just out after a holiday. They estimate the output of the Klondike at $25,000,000, the recently discovered claims turning out as rich, if not richer, than the oldest ones of El Dorado and Bonanza.

Big Purchase of Timber Lands.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., July 20.—The largest and most important purchase of Adirondack lands made this year has been closed by C. H. Turner of Malone. It comprises a whole township in Franklin county and consists of 26,000 acres, with the mill on it. It cost $250,000. The mill is turning out 15,000,000 feet of lumber yearly. There is 145,000,000 feet on the tract uncut. Mr. Turner now holds 55,000 acres of Adirondack lands.

Colonel Bryan Accepts.

CHICAGO, July 25.—Colonel William J. Bryan has accepted an invitation to attend the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in this city next August. General John C. Black, chairman of the committee on invitations, received this formal acceptance yesterday, settling a question over which there has been considerable controversy.

Peace In Venezuela.

CARACAS, July 25.—President Castro has officially proclaimed the re-establishment of peace throughout the republic of Venezuela. All political prisoners have been set free. The outcome has been received with great enthusiasm in Caracas.

Curtis Also Declines.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Ex-Representative George M. Curtis of Iowa has declined the office of first assistant postmaster general. Postmaster General Smith said that no one else had been offered the office.

Eleven Negroes Drowned.

TUSCALOOSA, Ala., July 24.—Eleven negro men were drowned in the Warrior river near Akron, Ala., by the capsizing of a skiff. The accident occurred at government lock No. 5, now under construction.

HUNTING SQUIRRELS.

BY ERNEST M'GAFFEY.

THE fox and gray squirrels had brought out their families to learn the ways and means of picking up a living in the woods, and John had arranged to take a day in the Mill creek timber and get a mess of squirrels. Ferris had agreed to go with him, and the boys were to do the hunting with rifles. Ferris had his own little rifle, just the thing for squirrel shooting, and John had furbished up his uncle's big rifle and molded a lot of bullets for it. This rifle was so heavy that he expected to use some kind of a rest when shooting, either by supporting it over a branch or against the side of a tree. It was a powerful heavy old cannon to carry, but it was a good shooter and warranted to kill anything the bullet hit. The boys started out early one Wednesday morning, for early in the day is one of the best times to find squirrels running about in the woods; the other favorable time to find them is along as the sun goes down.

The woods on Mill creek were heavy enough in certain places to afford good squirrel timber. There were clumps of tall oaks and hickories, with here and there a tall elm, and the brush was pretty well cleared away about these big trees.

The boys hitched their ponies to a fallen tree on the east side of the creek and then took the woods down, one on each side of the creek and close to each other. Hunting squirrels in the woods when the leaves are on the trees requires the greatest possible care and the keenest kind of eyesight. The boys went along very slowly as soon as they reached the belt of timber where the big oaks and hickories were. As they came into the edge of this part of the woods John saw a gray squirrel plastered to the side of an oak, with his feet stretched out, for all the world as if a squirrel's hide had been fastened there. He raised the big rifle with an effort, but just as he got it leveled trembligly toward the target the squirrel darted around the tree and was out of sight.

He was about to call to Ferris when he heard the crack of the little rifle, followed by a peculiar soggy thump on the ground near by. It was a big fox squirrel, shot through the neck, which had tumbled from an adjoining elm. Ferris came over when he heard John call softly, and went around the oak when he had loaded his rifle. John stood still and watched the tree. Presently the tail of a gray squirrel floated over a limb and the squirrel came after, keeping a sharp lookout for Ferris, who was on the other side of the tree. John noiselessly raised the big rifle, steadied it against a tree, and, sighting at the squirrel, fired. The bullet bored through the squirrel's shoulder and knocked him far from the oak. He came down in a heap as dead as a mackerel.

The boys went down the creek to another clump of big trees. Here they found three squirrels on one big oak. Ferris killed one, a monster old fox squirrel, quite the biggest either boy had ever seen, and John got a smaller one. The third squirrel, though fired at by both boys, got away with a safe hide and managed to reach a hole in a hollow tree, where he promptly deposited himself. It wasn't very high up to this hole, and John proposed that they try smoking the squirrel out. They had brought paper along for this very purpose, so, putting the big gun down on the ground, John started in to "shin" up the tree. It was a big tree, and he needed all of his chum's help to reach the first limb, where he halted to begin operations. He had carried up some dead leaves and grass that he had dug out from under a log, and as soon as he set fire to the paper he stuffed this down on to the paper, and soon had a great "smudge" started. He worked on it diligently, stuffing in the fuel and working it down into the hole, but no squirrel appeared. The hole was too long. So he crawled gingerly down, scratching his hands some in the descent. Then the boys started for a neck of woods a mile down the creek.

At a bend in the creek they came to the edge of the big timber, and here they rested and ate some of the "grub" they had brought along. It tasted good, and was washed down with water from a pool in the creek. They now were in timber that presented a grovelike appearance, being very free from underbrush and all of the trees large and some distance apart. From where they first entered they saw two squirrels gamboling over the ground, and Ferris said: "Let's wait awhile and watch 'em." They sat quietly down on a log, and in a little while a couple of fox squirrels came running over the ground, very much like a couple of puppies at play. They raced along and around, dodging over logs and around trees, and occasionally running up a tree trunk for a few feet. They had not seen the hunters, and they were as frisky as kittens. One of them finally ran right up on the log the boys were sitting on. When he caught sight of them he scampered away with a flirt of his long red tail and was up the first tree that he came to. His mate was not long in discovering the cause of his alarm, and started down the slope toward the creek. Ferris fired at this squirrel as it ran, but the bullet went over its back and it got away.

Then the boys started in to get some more game. They separated and walked slowly and silently among the trees, keeping a sharp outlook for squirrels in the branches, along the fallen logs which lay here and there in the timber and along the slopes and in the shallow little valleys below. A fox squirrel is not so hard to see as a gray squirrel, for the fox squirrel's tail is such a flaming sign that it is much more easily seen than the modest color of the gray squirrel's brush. But a squirrel is a past grand master at keeping on the other side of the tree from you, and it takes woodcraft to circumvent him. By waiting a little while and then walking, by listening for noises in the leaves and by making as little noise as possible themselves the boys got a good many shots as the day passed. During the middle of the day they got very few chances, but as the sun began to drop lower in the west the squirrels commenced to show themselves more freely.

Ferris got two or three shots to John's one from the fact that either his eyesight was naturally keener, or, his experience in the sport being much greater than his companion's, he knew where to find the animals better. The crack of the little rifle came very much oftener than the heavier report of the big gun, and generally a thump on the ground told of the accuracy of the boy's aim. The squirrels were thick in this particular end of the timber, and all the boys had to do was to browse quietly around among the trees and watch for shots. The young squirrels were not so wary as their parents, and, as everyone knows, the young squirrels are the juciest when it comes to the frying-pan question.

When the boys finally decided to go back they had 26 squirrels between them, of which John had killed nine and Ferris 17. They were mostly fox squirrels, with a sprinkling of grays, and the bulk of them were young ones. There was still an hour or more of good squirrel time between the sun and twilight, but they concluded that they had got all they wanted.—Chicago Daily Record.

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PARIS LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

PARIS, FRANCE, July 9, 1900.

Nothing in France is so typical of France as the exhibition, for it is at once superficial to the eye and sound to the understanding, full of tinsel sights and unmeaning gaiety side by side with the loviest forms of art and the most admirable results of industry and of education. Such at least were my thoughts as I came out of the Palais de Congres after spending an hour in the Social Economic section. Outside were the aimless crowd, the gilded domes and plaster decorations, the amusements, the gossip and laughter. Inside you were in another atmosphere—an atmosphere of knowledge and utility and peace. Here under some very attractive forms is offered to you the most diverse information of which one example will suffice. The corner devoted to the Russian Temperance movement is charming in its simplicity, novelty,and instructiveness. All about you are diagrams showing the success of the government's propaganda against spirit-drinking in a Russian empire; and a very pleasant young Russian lady, dressed in black, with dark eyes and fair hair, not more—as I suppose, than twenty, will answer in the most delightfully broken French, such questions as you may care to put. But the eye and the heart are even more interestingly drawn by the model "debit de the"–tea–publichouse, if one can say so without paradox, than by the amiable Russian. It is fitted up exactly as it is seen in thousands of Russian villages. The shop, not unlike the section of a log hut, has at one end a short counter with hard boiled eggs, red colored, glass jars of sweets and preserves, and bottles of kvaas, a non-alcoholic drink made from barley with something of the taste of cider; while behind the counter is a sideboard containing cups and tea-pots. At the opposite end of the shop is another counter with papers and periodicals, and behind that, a book-case filled with books. The middle of the shop is occupied by tables where the tea or kvass is leisurely consumed, where village politics are debated, or where a game of draughts or dominoes is played by the moujik customers. The rest of the furniture is simple and characteristically Russian, that is to say rude, with a dash of orientalism; a noble brass samovar filled with ever–boiling water behind the counter at one end; a brass ewer under a tap and a comb hanging beside it from a piece of string close to the entrance; a homely faced, loudly ticking clock fixed to the wall and the never-absent coloured prints of the Czar and the Czarina. Guess now how much a cup, or cups, of tea taken under these humanizing conditions costs, less than two cents. The price hangs on the wall: a tiny measure of tea, 1 kopeck, two pieces of sugar, 1 kopeck, a slice of lemon, 1 kopeck; a tea-pot of boiling water, 1 kopeck; and three kopecks are not quite two cents. What a vast organization this state propaganda is may be appreciated by the fact that though five years ago when it was started the state paid $100,000 in subventions, in 1899, with its influence penetrating all over Russia, the State subvention was $1,000,000, and the propaganda does more than establish these teapublichouses. It gives thousands of concerts and conferences and entertainments. The effect is known to be enormous, and what with Tolstoi's writings, the Czar's philantrophy, and the propaganda, Russia in a few decades ought to have one of the most civilized peasantries in the world.

Mention of the Czar's philantrophy reminds me of another conversation I had in the same building, but now not with a Russian girl, but with a Polish Prince and Princess. I was examining the exhibit of the "Alliance Universelle des Femmes Pour la Prix," admiring the photographs of many devoted woman workers, not a few of them American, when I happened to ask an elderly gentlemen, who seemed to have something to do with the exhibit, what was the name of the lady-president whose handsome photograph I was looking at. "That", he said without the least affectation, "is the Princess Wiszniewska, my wife. If you will allow me I will introduce you "And sure enough," as they say in Ireland, there was the princess at a little distance, conversing with some friends and proud, no doubt, of the labor of love and peace she and her husband had accomplished. The prince then became my informant for the nonce and pointed out what was interesting in the collection. The Alliance, he said, had, when it was founded after the Hague Conference, been called the "league of Women for International Disarmament", but the title was misunderstood and so had to be changed. Few people could grasp the fact that it was not isolated or total disarmament that was aimed at, but only the simultaneous reduction or abolition of standing armies. He took special pains to show me the pictures and petitions of notable American workers in the cause—Mrs. Belva Lockwood for one, the lady whom California, (so the Prince said) voted to be President of the United States: Mrs. May Wright Sewall, for another; Mrs. Ormsby Evans, Mrs. Cornelius Stevenson, of Pennsylvania; Mrs. Elder Anna White, Mrs. Hazlitt–Bevis, of Mass.; Mrs. Emeline B. Wells, of Utah, and Mrs. Fannie W. Gresham of Texas. There were photographs of other American ladies, and of the lady workers of other countries–of England, of Roumania, of Egypt even. Roumania was represented by Mlle. Vacaresco, Sylva Cermen (the Queen of Roumania's) great friend, now as the Prince told me, working quietly in her Paris apartment at music and literature and art. Does she often think of Prince Ferdinand, I wonder, who wished to marry her but was compelled by reasons of State to marry into the Queen of England's family? It is very possible, for she is only five and twenty and unmarried.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. Cheney & Co, Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c.

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CHAUTAQUA—LAST LOW-RATE EXCURSION VIA PENN'A RAILROAD.

On July 27 the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will run the last special excursion from Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Reading, Altoona, Bellefonte, Lock Haven, Shamokin, Wilkes-Barre, Sunbury and Williamsport, and principal intermediate stations, and stations on the Delaware Division, Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad, and on the Cumberland Valley Railroad, to Chautauqua, N. Y. Special train will start from Harrisburg at 11:35 a. m. Connecting trains will leave Philadelphia 8:40 a. m., Wilkes-Barre 7.30 a. m. Round trip tickets, good to return on regular trains not later than August 25, will be sold at rate of $10 from Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington,and at proportionate rates from other stations.

For specific rates and time of connecting trains apply to nearest ticket agent. 7 19 2t

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Food That Absorbs Odor.

Flour should not be kept in a store room or pantry where there is cooked foods, as it absorbs odors. Ignorance of this fact accounts for poor bread oftener than any inferior quality of flour. Articles of food that are made of gelatine or of milk should always be kept covered, as both milk and gelatine are literal scavengers of air and absorb not only odors, but germs. Neither cheese, cabbage, fish, nor baked beans, should ever be put in the refrigerator. They all leave an odor, of which it is difficult to rid the refrigerator, and they also flavor the food.

Who Says We Are Our Own Boss?

Did you ever think how few of us are our own boss? The married men are subject to their wives, bachelors obey their sweethearts, old maids cater to their cats and poodles, while all of us bow to that weak thing called public opinion. We come into the world without our consent, we leave it under protest, and while here kick at anything that crosses our path, but all to no purpose. The old world wags on, not caring whether we live or die, laugh and cry, shout and sigh; not caring a farthing why 'till we turn up our toes and die.

A PRACTICAL JOKER.

ONE of the most notorious practical jokers in the tribe of commercial travelers had a rough journey of it from Washington to Chicago not long ago. He is a diamond salesman, and the unique jobs he has been putting up on his friends of the road during the past 20 years and more are often told about in the progress of the smoking car reunions and conversaziones among the knights of the grip. A few weeks ago he met three old-timers, in different lines, in Washington, and he found that they were all bound for Chicago, as he was, so they started together. His three companions got together before the start and studied out ways and means whereby they could make the practical joker's trip with them joyous and unusual.

That they succeeded is proven by the remainder of this story, which is fully vouched for by the three friends individually and collectively.

They all left on an afternoon train, to which two sleepers were attached. Two of the drummers had berths in one car, and the other two in the second. When night drew on the three took advantage of the temporary absence of the practical joker to herd the two porters of the sleepers up in a corner and say things to them.

"This man we're with," the spokesman said to the two porters, "is in bad health, and his mind has become somewhat affected. We are taking him to a sanitarium in Chicago for treatment. We've been watching him pretty closely for some days now, and we're all more or less tuckered out, so that we want to get in a good night's sleep. This friend of ours, whose head's a bit wrong, isn't violent at all, so long as he takes his medicine every half hour, day and night. If he misses his medicine, however, he's liable to do some inury to himself and to others around him. We want you two porters to take turns waking him up for his medicine every half hour. Here's the medicine," and the spokesman handed one of the porters a bottle of a black decoction that looked like ink. "And here's a five-dollar note, that you can split up between you for waking him up for his medicine. We'll attend to him up to the time he goes to bed, but you two want to wake him every half hour during the night and tell him quietly, but firmly, that it's time for him to take his medicine. He may kick and cuss and tear and rear around, but never you mind that. He doesn't know that he's a bit off his base, and he's not responsible for what he says or does. Now, have you got that down?"

"Yessuh," said the two grinning porters, and the job was arranged. The practical joker returned shortly afterward and joined the three, blissfully unconscious of the scheme that had been cooked up on him. He was the first to begin to stretch and yawn and announce that he guessed he'd turn in, and then the party broke up, each man making for his berth.

The man who had been putting up practical jokes on his friends during the greater part of his life was pretty tired and sleepy, and not more than two minutes after he'd turned in the snores which proceeded from his berth showed that he was in the land of dreams. His three friends hadn't gone to bed at all, however. They assembled again in the smoking compartment after the practical joker had gone to bed, and about 40 minutes later they saw the porter of the car march up to the practical joker's berth, yank aside the curtains and poke the man inside.

"Hey, boss, it's dun time fo' yo' leet'l dose," said the porter, punching the victim awake and handing him the black bottle.

The three friends could only hear some indistinct growls coming from the berth of the awakened man, and then they saw the porter poke him again.

"Yessuh, now's de time fo' yo' medicine, suh," the porter said again, and then the three, who were peering out of the door of the smoking compartment, heard some genuinely warm language from the berth of the man whose slumbers had been broken.

A few moments later the porter entered the smoking compartment and announced to the three that he'd duly handed the crazy man his bottle of medicine.

"That's good, Mose, and you want to see that he gets good and awake every half hour during the night, too," said the man who had fixed up the job. "Don't just let him roll over and grunt, but poke him until he's broad awake. I don't want anything to happen around here, but that man's liable to do something fierce if he doesn't take that quieting stuff every half hour."

The porter promised that either he or his partner in the other car would attend to the waking-up stunt regularly every half hour, and the three went to bed themselves, blithely happy in the hope and belief that the practical joker would actually be upon the brink of madness by daylight.

The practical joker was rudely jarred awake about six times and told that his medicine-taking time had come around before he tumbled to the fact that the porter wasn't really making a mistake as to the berth of an invalid, and when he reached the conclusion that his friends were at the bottom of the job he promptly got mad, as all practical jokers do when they themselves are victimized. He waited until the porter came around the next time and then he shot his fist out squarely for the black man's jaw. The blow didn't quite reach, but it gave the porter such a scare that he let out a yell, and then the other porter and the conductor of the car rushed in to see what the trouble was. By this time the practical joker was struggling in the aisle with the porter who had awakened him, and the porter was yelling, and the men in the other berths—fortunately there were no women in the car—had their heads stuck out of the curtains, and for about four minutes there was all kinds of pandemonium in the sleeping car. The conductor took the word of the two porters that the man who was doing the struggling and hitting out right and left war crazy, and he took a hand in subduing the diamond drummer. When the three friends of the victim appeared in the aisle, showing evidences of having dressed hastily, the diamond drummer was being sat on by two large, husky porters, and the conductor was digging around for some pieces of rope wherewith to tie the "madman's" hands. The diamond drummer frothed at the mouth in impotent fury when he saw his three grinning friends at the door, and shook his fists at them, and after awhile the three solemnly told the porters that they could take care of their friend from then on, whereupon the porters let him up and the conductor stopped looking for rope to tie him hand and foot.

The diamond drummer abused them until he was black in the face, while they stood by with innocent countenances and told him how sadly he was wronging them, and then he crawled into his berth to fume and toss for the remainder of the night. One of the three, who was back in Washington the other day, said that the diamond drummer had declined to have any commerce with the three of them or even to recognize them during their stay in Chicago.

There is one practical joker who is probably cured of his idiotic propensity.—Washington Star.

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In effect June 10, 1900

STATIONS.	EAST. A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
NORTHUMBERLAND	6 35	1.50	10 00	‡5 50
Cameron	6 47	2 41	.....	6 02
Chulasky	....	.....	.....	‡6 10
Danville	6 58	2 11	10 19	6 10
Catawissa	7 12	2 24	10 34	6 22
Rupert	7 17	2 29	10 37	6 26
Bloomsburg	7 24	2 34	10 43	6 31
Espy	7 32	2 40	10 48	6 36
Lime Ridge	7 39	2 46	.....	6 41
Briarcreek	7 49	2 53	.....	‡6 47
Willow Grove	‡7 44	‡2 50	....	....
Berwick	7 56	3 01	11 05	6 53
Beach Haven	8 02	3 03	....	6 58
Hick's Ferry	8 12	3 09	....	7 02
Shickshinny	8 17	3 20	11 29	7 13
Hunlock's	8 32	3 31	....	7 25
Nanticoke	8 38	3 38	11 43	7 32
Avondale	8 42	3 42	....	....
Plymouth	8 47	3 47	11 51	7 41
Plymouth Junction	8 51	3 52	....	....
Kingston	8 53	4 00	11 59	7 52
Bennett	9 01	4 03	.....	7 56
Forty Fort	9 04	4 07	....	....
Wyoming	9 09	4 12	12 08	8 06
West Pittston	9 13	4 17	.....	8 11
Susquehanna Ave	9 16	4 20	12 14	8 14
Pittston	9 19	4 24	12 17	8 18
Duryea	9 23	4 29	.....	8 24
Lackawanna	9 26	4 32	.....	8 27
Taylor	9 32	4 40	....	8 34
Bellevue	9 37	4 45	....	....
SCRANTON	9 42	4 50	12 35	8 45

STATIONS.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
	WEST.			
SCRANTON	6 45	‡10 05	1 55	5 50
Bellevue	6 50	....	.....	.....
Taylor	6 55	10 15	2 03	5 59
Lackawanna	7 01	10 23	2 10	6 06
Duryea	7 05	10 26	2 13	6 09
Pittston	7 07	10 31	2 17	6 13
Susquehanna Ave	7 10	10 33	2 19	6 16
West Pittston	7 13	10 35	2 21	6 19
Wyoming	7 17	10 40	2 27	6 24
Forty Fort	....	....	..	.....
Bennett	7 24	10 49	2 34	6 30
Kingston	7 30	10 54	2 40	6 35
Plymouth Junction	....	....	....	.....
Plymouth	7 38	11 05	2 49	6 43
Avondale	7 42	....	2 54	....
Nanticoke	7 45	11 11	2 58	6 51
Hunlock's	7 51	11 17	3 06	6 59
Shickshinny	8 01	11 29	3 20	7 13
Hick's Ferry	8 12	‡11 43	3 30	....
Beach Haven	8 18	11 48	3 37	‡7 28
Berwick	8 23	11 54	3 44	7 33
Briarcreek	8 28	.....	3 50	....
Willow Grove	8 31	.....	3 54	....
Lime Ridge	8 34	‡12 09	3 58	....
Espy	8 39	12 15	4 06	7 52
Bloomsburg	8 44	12 22	4 12	7 57
Rupert	8 49	12 27	4 17	8 01
Catawissa	8 54	12 32	4 22	8 05
Danville	9 09	12 47	4 35	8 20
Caulasky	....	....	‡4 42	....
Cameron	9 21	12 57	4 48	.....
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 35	1 10	5 00	8 45
	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.

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SOUTH.— ARRIVE.					B. & S. R. R.	—NORTH LEAVE			
a m	a.m.	p m	p.m.		STATIONS.	a m	p m	p m	a m
7.10	12.05	5.25	2.15		Bloomsb'g.	8.47	2 40	6.35	6.10
7.08	12.00	6.18	2.10		" P. & R.	8.49	2.42	6.37	
7.03	11.57	6.14	2.08		" Main st.	8.52	2.45	6.40	
6.53	11.47	6.02	1.50		Paper Mill.	9.01	2.54	6.51	6.37
6.50	11.43	5.59	1.45		Light St.	9.05	2.59	5.55	6.50
6.40	11.33	5.49	1.30		Orangeville.	9.15	3.10	7.04	7.10
6.29	11.22	5.38	1.00		Forks.	9.28	3.20	7.14	7.35
6.25	11.19	5.34	12.53		Zaner's	9.27	3.24	7.18	7.43
6.14	11.17	5.27	12.45		Stillwater	9.33	3.30	7.24	8.00
6.08	11.05	5.17	12.33		Benton	9.43	3.40	7.33	8.30
6.04	11.00	5.12	12.10		Edson's	9.47	3.44	7.37	8.40
6.02	10.58	5.10	12.05		Cole's Cr'k.	9.50	3.47	7.41	8.46
5.53	10.52	5.03	11.53		Laubach	9.58	3.57	7.51	9.00
5.43	10.43	4.53	11.45		Central	10.10	4.07	8.01	9.25
5.40	10.40	4.50	11.30		Jam. City.	10.14	4.10	8.05	9.35
a m	m	p m	p m			a m	pm	p m	a m
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Leave Philadelphia 10.21 a. m.

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Leave Pottsville 12.30 p. m.

Leave Tamaqua 1.49 p. m.,

Leave Williamsport weekdays 10.13 a m, 5.42 p m.

Leave Catawissa weekdays, 7.00, 8.20 9.10 a. m 1.30 3.36, 6.08 p. m.

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Accommodation 4 25, 7.05 a. m., 5.30 p. m. Sundays—Express—8 45 a. m 3.30, 4.30, 5.00, 6 00, 6.30, 7.00, 7 30, 8 00, 9.30 p. m. Accommodation, 7.15 a. m., 4.32 p. m.

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Time Table in effect May 28, 1900

	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Scranton(D & H) lv	‡ 6 45	‡ 9 58	‡ 2 18	‡ 4 27
Pittston " "	7 08	110 10	1 2 42	4 52
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Wilkesbarre...lv	‡ 7 30	‡10 55	‡ 3 08	‡ 6 00
Plym'th Ferry "	‡ 7 38	11 02	‡ 3 16	‡ 6 07
Nanticoke..... "	7 46	11 10	3 20	6 17
Mocanaqua..... "	8 04	11 32	3 46	6 37
Wapwallopen.. "	8 13	11 42	3 56	6 47
Nescopeck ..... ar	8 24	11 52	4 07	7 00
	A. M.		P. M.	P. M.
Pottsville.....lv	‡ 5 50		12 30	‡
Hazleton ..... "	7 05		2 00	5 50
Tomhicken..... "	7 22		2 18	6 10
Fern Glen..... "	7 29		2 27	6 19
Rock Glen..... "	7 35		2 34	6 2
Nescopeck..... ar	8 00		3 00	6 2(
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Nescopeck.....lv	‡ 8 24	‡11 52	‡ 4 07	‡ 7 01
Creasy..... "	8 33	12 02	4 16	7 05
Espy Ferry..... "	f 8 43	12 10	f 4 24	7 20
E. Bloomsburg"	8 47	12 14	4 29	7 25
		P. M.		
Catawissa..... ar	8 55	12 21	4 35	7 32
Catawissa.....lv	8 55	12 21	4 35	7 32
S. Danville.... "	9 14	12 38	4 53	7 51
Sunbury..... "	9 35	1 00	5 15	8 15
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Sunbury.....lv	‡ 9 42	‡ 1 10	‡ 5 45	‡ 8 40
Lewisburg....ar	10 13	1 45	6 18	....
Milton..... "	10 08	1 39	6 14	9 04
Williamsport.. "	11 00	2 30	7 10	9 50
Lock Haven... "	11 59	3 40	8 07	.....
Renovo ..... "	A. M.	4 40	9 00	.....
Kane.....	.....	8 25	.....	.....
	P. M.	P. M.		
Lock Haven...lv	‡12 10	‡3 45	.....	.....
Bellefonte.....ar	1 05	4 44	.....	.....
Tyrone..... "	2 15	6 00	.....	.....
Philipsburg.... "	4 23	‡8 26	.....	.....
Clearfield ..... "	5 07	9 09	.....	.....
Pittsburg ..... "	6 55	111 30	.....	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Sunbury.....lv	‡ 9 50	‡ 1 55	‡ 5 25	‡ 8 31
Harrisburg....ar	‡11 30	‡ 3 15	6 55	110 10
	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.
Philadelphia..ar	‡ 3 17	‡ 6 23	110 20	‡ 4 25
Baltimore..... "	3 11	‡ 6 09	‡ 9 40	2 30
Washington... "	4 10	‡ 7 15	110 55	4 05
	A. M.	P. M.		
Sunbury lv	10 57	‡ 2 03	.....	.....
	P. M.			
Lewistown Jc ar	11 40	‡ 3 50	.....	.....
Pittsburg..... "	‡ 6 55	‡11 30	.....	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M
Harrisburg..... lv	‡11 45	13 45	‡ 7 20	‡10 20
			A. M.	A. M
Pittsburg.....ar	‡ 6 55	‡11 30	‡ 1 50	‡ 5 30

‡ Weekdays. Daily. f Flag station

	P. M.	p. m	a. m.	a. m
Pittsburg.....lv	‡ 7 10	‡ 8 30	‡ 2 50	‡ 8 00
	A. M.	A. M.		P. M.
Harrisburg.....ar	‡ 1 55	‡ 3 40	‡ 9 10	‡ 3 10
		a.m.	p. m.	a. m.
Pittsburg.....lv	.....	.....	...	‡ 8 00
				P. M.
Lewistown Jc."	.....	† 7 30	3 40	† 3 10
Sunbury..... ar	.....	† 9 20	5 08	† 5 05
	p. m.	A. M.	A. M.	a. m
Washington....lv	110 40	.....	† 7 45	110 50
Baltimore..... "	111 41	‡ 4 50	‡ 8 45	111 45
Philadelphia... "	111 20	‡ 4 25	‡ 8 40	112 44
	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Harrisburg.....lv	‡ 3 35	‡ 7 55	‡11 40	† 4 00
Sunbury.....ar	‡ 5 05	‡ 9 30	1 10	† 5 40
	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
Pittsburg.....lv	‡12 45	.....	‡ 2 50	‡ 8 00
Clearfield ..... "	4 09	.....	.....	9 28
Philipsburg.. "	4 56	.....	.....	10 12
Tyrone..... "	7 15	.....	‡ 8 10	12 30
Bellefonte..... "	8 31	.....	9 32	1 42
Lock Haven...ar	9 30	.....	10 30	2 43
	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Erie.....lv	‡ 4 30	.....	.....	.....
Kane..... "	7 55	.....	‡ 6 00	.....
Renovo..... "	11 15	‡ 6 40	10 30	.....
Lock Haven... "	12 09	† 7 33	11 25	‡ 3 00
	A. M.		P. M.	
Williamsport.. "	1 05	‡ 8 30	‡12 40	4 00
Milton..... "	1 56	9 19	1 27	4 52
Lewisburg..... "	.....	9 05	1 15	4 47
Sunbury..... ar	2 27	9 46	1 55	5 20
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M
Sunbury.....lv	56 50	‡ 9 55	† 2 00	‡†5 48
S. Danville..... "	7 18	10 17	2 21	6 09
Catawissa..... "	7 33	10 35	2 36	6 27
E. Bloomsburg"	7 39	10 43	2 43	6 32
Espy Ferry..... "	7 48	f10 47		f 6 36
Creasy..... "	7 53	10 56	2 55	6 46
Nescopeck ....ar	8 03	11 06	3 05	6 55
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M
Nescopeck.....lv		‡11 05	‡4 10	† 7 05
Catawissa.....	7 33			
Rock Glen.....ar	8 26	12 21	4 36	7 31
Fern Glen..... "	8 33	12 27	4 42	7 37
Tomhicken..... "	8 44	12 35	4 51	7 45
Hazleton ..... "	9 02	12 55	5 12	8 05
Pottsville..... "	11 30	2 08	6 30	9 05
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M
Nescopeck lv	† 8 03	‡11 05	† 3 05	† 6 55
Wapwallopen.ar	8 18	11 20	3 19	7 09
Mocanaqua..... "	8 28	11 32	3 29	7 21
Nanticoke ..... "	8 48	11 54	3 48	7 42
		P. M.		
Plym'th Ferry "		12 02	3 57	7 52
Wilkesbarre.... "	9 05	12 10	4 05	8 00
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M
Pittston(D & H) ar	† 9 39	‡12 49	† 4 52	† 8 36
Scranton " "	10 08	1 18	5 20	9 05

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THE COLUMBIAN is for the Democratic ticket—national, state and county. The names of all candidates will be hoisted in due time. They are omitted for the present, because they occupy space without serving any good purpose so long before the election.

China's Weakness Her Strength.

The treaty powers of China have about given up their former notion that the situation could be handled with a small army of international troops, and while busy in collecting an overwhelming force have taken to bickering with each other as to which of them is responsible for the deplorable state of affairs. It is now conceded by all that a month ago, when communication with Pekin was cut off completely, twenty thousand troops could have marched to Pekin and rescued the foreign ministers and residents. These troops could have been supplied by Japan within a few days, and she was ready and eager to so supply them, but couid not do so without the consent of the other powers involved. And while the United States and England were glad enough to give such consent, Russio and her ally, France, refused to grant consent for reasons obvious enough to everybody. For years Russia has been intent upon dominating in Manchuria. If Japan had marched an army to Pekin, the powers could not well have refused her the one recompense the Mikado would have demanded, namely, the right to control and colonize Corea. But a Japanese Corea interposed between Russia's strongholds in the north, and her possessions at Port Arthur would have killed all chance of the Russianizing of Manchuria. Therefore, Russia chose to withhold consent, and upon her is thrust the responsibility for the lives lost in recent massacres.

But the responsibility dates farther back, and is shared in part by every first-class power in Europe. On July 31st, 1894, Japan and China became involved in the war over their rights in Corea, and after a short and sharp struggle the latter nation was whipped into complete submission and Japan dictated a peace whereby China surrendered the Lia-Tung Peninsula (where the resistance against the international troops is now strongest) and all rights in Corea. But Russia, supported by France and Germany, forced a revision of this treaty, deprived Japan of all the fruits of her victory and Japan had to rest content with the cession of Formosa, an island that has been in a state of chronic rebellion for a century. Had England seen fit to support Japan in her demand for non-interference, Russia and her friends would have had to keep their fingers out of the deal, and China, under Japan's influence, would have been able and willing to introduce modern methods of government and stamp out all fanatical outbursts, such as the present one. But British diplomacy, under the leadership of Premier Rosebery, refused to interfere, and Japan was forced into disgracetul surrender to the nation she had conquered.

The result of this exhibition of antagonism was to make clear to the Chinese the fact that the jealousy of the powers was such that she was comparatively safe in engaging in any step toward the destruction of foreign influence; that she could wage war upon foreigners and upon progress in any form, and the powers themselves entertained such a hearty distrust of each other that China would have more than an even chance of getting out of a scrape like the present one without much harm. Consequently the Chinese set quickly to work at forming a gigantic army and equipping it with modern guns, and when the time came to strike, they struck with such an overwhelming effect that the powers are helpless. During the last two years, England and Germany have permitted the Chinese to import two million Mauser rifles and great stores of other war equipment, fondly supposing that these would be used to resist threatened Russian aggression, but unfortunately it turns out that China has seen fit to attempt to oust all foreign influence.

While Russia must be held primarily responsible for the failure to rescue the foreigners in Pekin from destruction, all the powers are responsible for creating the condition of anarchy that made such a rescue necessary.

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, July 23, 1900.

Mr. McKinley is again performing his specialty—the wobbling act. He heard the criticism of the country of his absence from his post and rushed back to Washington, everybody supposed to do something. There has been Cabinet meetings and Cabinet dinners, but that is all. Nothing has been done that had not been decided upon before Mr. McKinley pulled himself away from the enticing rockers on that Canton porch. Although it is the general opinion in Washington that Congress should be called in extra session to handle this Chinese business, Mr. McKinley and his advisers decided that no extra session should be called until the urgency became more pressing. Because the allied forces in China have won a temporary success, at an awful cost of life, including many Americans, and the Chinese have sent a message saying that the foreign ministers in Pekin are alive, which, by the way, isn't believed by anybody outside of members of the administration, Mr. McKinley will wobble awhile longer.

The plain truth is that Mr. McKinley is afraid to do anything until he gets a plainer tip on what public sentiment wants this government to do. Men interested in syndicates, which have big concessions in China, are urging him to send a big army to China so that he can be in a position to prevent the breaking up of the Chinese empire, which would mean the end of your concessions, while Republican politicians are cautioning him to feel his way carefully because a mistake will make his defeat for re-election more certain than it now apparently is. He can't get more men in the army without authority from Congress, and he is afraid to take any more men from Gen. MacArthur, who has already been made to send men from the Philippines against his vigorous protest. Consequently, unless there is an extra session of Congress, the total American force in China will not exceed 12,000, and several thousand of them cannot be got there before the first of September, no matter how badly they may be needed. Meanwhile, Mr. McKinley has gone back to Canton to wobble at leisure unsil public opinion shows him what to do.

There are reasons to believe that a decidedly interesting talk took place in the dining room of Secretary Gage's suburban residence, where Mr. McKinley, all the members of the Cabinet who are in Washington, and Gen. Leonard Wood, Military Governor of Cuba, were guests. The subject was Cuba and its probable future relations towards the United States. Gen. Wood is in Washington for the purpose of receiving instructions as to the method of electing delegates to the proposed Cuban constitutional convention, which has been hinted at inside administration circles, may start the annexation ball to rolling by adopting an annexation resolution, or declaring in favor of it. If such is the administration programme, the arrangements for the election of delegates to the convention will probably be such as to ensure a majority of annexationists. Gen. Wood will talk about everything else in Cuba, but as soon as you say annexation he is as mum as a clam.

The Chinese Minister in Washington is about as slick as the slickest of his race, and he seems able to make Secretary Hay accept any old story that he chooses to tell him. His latest, which Mr. Hay thought important enough to repeat at a Cabinet meeting, is that the reason the foreign ministers in Pekin have not communicated with their governments is that they are hid in the houses of Chinese friends and are afraid that any attempt to send messages would put the mob onto their hiding places. The Chinese Minister's success in stuffing the members of the administration may encourage him to remain in this country and go on in the gold brick business if his government gets knocked out at home.

The wires have been kept hot getting word to such Republicans as Representative Hull, of Iowa, Chairman of the House Military Committee, who has been publicly advocating the calling of an extra session of Congress, to take the other tack and fall in behind Mr. McKinley, in opposition to an extra session.

Communications received by the Chinese Minister indicate considerable alarm among the Chinese residents of our large cities. They fear that Americans will try to avenge the murder of Americans in China by massacreing them. It is, of course, a groundless fear.

ENGLISH REVERSES.

Three Days' Severe Fighting With Heavy Loss.

PRETORIA IS AGAIN CUT OFF.

Boers Capture a Supply Train and One Hundred Highlanders—General Broadwood Thinks He Is on President Steyn's Trail.

LONDON, July 24.—The Daily Express has the following from Machadodorp, dated Monday, July 23:

"There has been severe fighting during the last three days, and the Boers have inflicted heavy losses upon the British at Derdepoort. Six hundred women and children from Pretoria, including Mmes. Kruger, Botha and Meyer, have arrived at Barberton."

General Broadwood reports to the war office from Honingspruit that he followed a Boer commando from July 16.

There was a sharp engagement at Palmiefontein on July 19. The British had five casualties, and eight dead Boers were found.

Broadwood asks that General Knox send him supplies for 300 men and horses to pursue the enemy. He believes that President Steyn and General De Wet are with this commando.

The railway and telegraph lines to Honingspruit have been cut.

General Kelly-Kenny reports from Bloemfontein that a supply train with 100 highlanders has been captured by a large force of Boers who are moving on Honingspruit. He also states that communication with Pretoria has been cut.

The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Pretoria, July 22:

"Methuen continued his march after the occupation of Heckpoort and engaged the rear guard of the enemy near Zandsfontein on July 20. Our losses were one killed and one wounded. On July 21 he again attacked and completely dispersed the enemy's forces at Oliphant's nek, inflicting heavy loss. Our casualties were slight.

"Rustenburg has been relieved, and Methuen and Baden-Powell have joined hands. Hamilton secured on July 21 a strong position at Stitzray. We had three killed and many wounded."

The London morning papers feel compelled to recognize General De Wet's clever strategy in baffling all efforts to catch him, while constantly harassing the British lines of communication.

Only the scantiest details have been allowed to come through. Apparently when nightfall stopped the engagement with Colonel Broadwood General De Wet's forces divided into small parties, one of which cut the railway and captured the highlanders, the Boers afterward reuniting at Rhenoster river.

The latest advices from Pretoria announce that General Stevenson's brigade has occupied Elands river and that General Hamilton has occupied Doorn kraal.

Typewriter Telegraphy.

CHICAGO, July 23.—Telegraphy by the use of typewriters in place of the ordinary clicking keys and receivers familiar in telegraph offices has been made possible by two Chicago men, Zalmon G. Scholes and Alfred C. Gilmore. They have devised a mechanism by which a message written with ordinary spelling on a machine that has a keyboard exactly like the keyboard of the ordinary typewriter will be printed if transmitted over a telegraph wire by another typewriter in the office to which it is sent hundreds of miles away. The instruments have been tested over a circuit of 265 miles of wire belonging to the Central Union Telephone company, connecting Bloomington, Springfield and Peoria.

A Youthful Burglar.

DANBURY, Conn., July 24.—By his own confession 12-year-old Charlie Kelley of Lee, Mass., is the worst boy who ever fell into the hands of the Danbury police. For over two weeks Danbury has been alarmed by a series of bold daylight burglaries, and the police have been keeping a sharp lookout for the burglar, but when a big policeman appeared in the police station leading a little tow headed boy who wore a shirt waist, knee trousers and cap it did not seem possible he could be the one who had committed all the burglaries that had baffled the police.

Embassador Draper Resigns.

MILFORD, Mass., July 25.—General William F. Draper of Hopedale has sent to Washington a letter tendering his resignation as United States embassador to Italy. General Draper made no statement as to the reasons he has for taking this step other than that his business at Hopedale demands his entire attention. He refuses to speak of the matter in detail until a reply is received from Washington. The interests of General Draper in Hopedale engage about 3,000 hands.

Railroad Robbers Caught.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., July 25.—Railroad detectives stationed at Wilkesbarre, Williamsport, Elmira and Rochester have just succeeded in running down a gang that have been systematically robbing the railroads for nearly two years past. Within the last year large quantities of brass valued at thousands of dollars have been stolen from the Pennsylvania, Lehigh Valley, Delaware and Hudson, Lackawanna and Central Railroad of New Jersey.

Torpedo Boat Destroyer Launched.

RICHMOND, July 25.—The torpedo boat destroyer Dale was successfully launched at the yards of the William R. Trigg company here yesterday. People cheered, flags, handkerchiefs and parasols were waved, and a band played "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Dixie" when Miss Mary Hasell Wilson of Philadelphia, the fair sponsor, broke the bottle of wine over the prow of the boat. Probably 5,000 people witnessed the event.

A World's Record Broken.

CLEVELAND, July 25. — Another world's record was made yesterday at the Glenville track, when the black gelding Coney, by McKinney, paced the second heat of a race in 2:02¾. This is the fastest mile ever paced by a horse in hopples. Frank Bogash has held the record for three years at 2:04¼. It was also the fastest mile ever paced on the Glenville track.

Held Office Under Lincoln.

BURLINGTON, Vt., July 23.—Hon. L. E. Chittenden, register of the treasury under the Lincoln administration, died here yesterday. He was 77 years old.

10 Day Excursion From Fishingcreek Valley to Atlantic City.

Thursday, August 23, 1900. Via B & S. and P. & R. Railway.

Special coaches will run through from Jamison City to Philadelphia. Leave Jamison City, 5:40 a. m., Benton 6:08 a. m., Orangeville 6:40 a. m.

Price of excursion ticket from Jamison City $5.00, from Benton $4.75, from Orangeville $4.50. Similar rates from intermediate stations. Stop off allowed at Philadelphia in either direction within time limit of the ticket.

Tickets can be purchased from B. & S. Ticket Agents, and from Conductor of B. & S. train morning of the excursion.

Tickets must be used on the above train and date to Philadelphia, and on any day within time limit of ticket.

A representative of the Railway Company will go with this Excursion and will take pleasure in giving passengers information relative to Hotels and points of interest in Philadelphia and Atlantic City.

The following letters are held at the Bloomsburg, Pa., postoffice, and will be sent to the dead letter office Aug. 7, 1900. Persons calling for these letters will please say "that they were advertised July 24, 1900":

Mr. D. O. Heller, Mr. William Martin, Miss Margaret McKee, Mrs. R. L. Neal, Miss Alice M. Otto, Harr Whitenite.

One cent will be charged on each letter advertised.

O. B. MELLICK, P. M.

STARVED HAIR

Slow growth of hair comes from lack of hair food. The hair has no life. It is starved. It keeps coming out, gets thinner and thinner, bald spots appear, then actual baldness.

The only good hair food you can buy is—

Ayer's Hair Vigor

It feeds the roots, stops starvation, and the hair grows thick and long. It cures dandruff also. Keep a bottle of it on your dressing table.

It always restores color to faded or gray hair. Mind, we say "always."

$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

"I have found your Hair Vigor to be the best remedy I have ever tried for the hair. My hair was falling out very bad, so I thought I would try a bottle of it. I had used only one bottle, and my hair stopped falling out, and it is now real thick and long."

NANCY J. MOUNTCASTLE.
July 28, 1898. Yonkers, N. Y.

Write the Doctor.

He will send you his book on The Hair and Scalp. Ask him any question you wish about your hair. You will receive a prompt answer free. Address, DR. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.

STAR CLOTHING HOUSE!

—FOR—

STYLISH GARMENTS,

READY TO WEAR,

—OR—

Made to Your Measure,

—GO TO—

TOWNSEND'S.

All the latest novelties for spring wear, in hats, caps, shirts, underwear and neckwear, can always be found at

Townsend's Star Clothing House.

Keeping You Posted.

One of the main objects of our advertising is to keep you constantly informed of the store's doing. Changes take place here that you should know about; changes of much importance to those who would have the newest and best. The output and income of merchandise is constant, and you miss many a bright trading chance if you are not a constant, careful reader of our ads.

SUMMER SILKS.

Light, filmy fabrics, just suited for hot weather wear. Washable, too, which adds much to the economy. Price, 35c.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.

You know the kind of Undermuslin sold here; the goodness of materials, the fulness of sizes, the worthiness of every garment right through. Knowing these things, these items will interest you:

Night Robe, reduced to 42c
Skirts, from 55c to $5.00
Drawers, reduced to 19c

FURNITURE OF ALL KINDS

We've planned to make this a very special Furniture opportunity, and just at a time you need it. Our prices have been low, but from July 25 to August 10 we will give a 10 per cent. discount on all Furniture.

SHOES.

Five special lots—very good styles, very tempting prices. Kindly read about them:

Lot 1.—Boys' Shoes, worth $1.50 and $2.00 a pair. Not all sizes. Reduced to $1.00.

Lot 2.—Ladies' Shoes, that sold at $2.25, reduced to $1.39. The best Shoe to wear you can find.

Lot 3.—Ladies' Shoes, that sold at $3.50. Not all sizes, but good style. Reduced to $1.79.

Lot 4.—Men's Shoes, that sold at $2.25. All sizes, and the best made Shoe you can find. Reduced to $1.48.

Lot 5.—Babies' Shoes, worth 50c., reduced to 25c.

F. P. PURSEL.

Artistic Shoemaking

THE CROSSETT SHOE

FOR GENTLEMEN

$3.50 AND $4.00

NAME AND PRICE ON EVERY PAIR

THE CROSSETT SHOE IS ONE OF EXTREME STYLE AT POPULAR PRICES IN DRESSING THE FEET. ONE SHOULD LOOK FOR FIT, DURABILITY, AND STYLE. YOU FIND ALL THESE IN THE CROSSETT SHOE. MADE BY LEWIS A. CROSSETT, NORTH ABINGTON, MASS.

For Sale By

W. H. MOORE,

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LOUISE,

The Newest and Best

$3.00

Shoe for women.
Light, flexible soles.
Very Shapely and Easy.
Name Stamped on Every Shoe.
None genuine without it.

W. C. McKINNEY,
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THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, JULY 26, 1900.

Entered at the Post Office at Bloomsburg, Pa. as second class matter, March 1, 1888.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

It is nearly a year since statements have been sent out to our delinquent subscribers. Quite a large number have not paid yet for the past year, and some are behind several years. Statements will be mailed soon to all who owe for a year or more. Those who dislike to be *dunned* can avoid it by paying up soon.

The price of newspaper has nearly doubled, but the subscription price has not been advanced. This compels us to insist upon prompt payments, and we, therefore, request all subscribers knowing themselves to be in arrears, to make payment at an early date. tf

Legal advertisements on page 7.

Pure drugs, of all kinds, at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

The Winona base ball team has disbandoned on account of poor support.

Take your wheel to the Bloomsburg Cycle Works and get it repaired.

The Episcopalians of Mt. Carmel are having plans made for a new church.

Many a man owes his life's happiness to a woman who once refused to marry him.

The Montour & Columbia Telephone Company will establish an exchange at Millville.

Catcher's mitts, fielder's gloves, bats, masks and all base ball goods, at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

John M. Garman writes home from Pikes Peak, says the Shickshinny *Echo*, that he is wading in snow knee deep.

The Bloomsburg Juniors suffered defeat at the hands of a ball club known as the "77's" at Danville Saturday afternoon. Score 15 to 5.

Sit on your porches, by using the Bamboo porch screens. Complete with poles and put up for 3 cents a foot, at S. R. Bidleman's book, wall paper and stationery store. 6-21tf.

There will be a campmeeting in Boone's grove near Espy, August 7 to 15, by the United Evangelical church. Good boarding house on the grounds. For information as to tents, etc., address

Rev. S. S. MUMEY, Espy, Pa.

BICYCLES!

Cleveland, -	$40 to $75
Wolff-American, -	35 to 75
Reading, - -	25 to 40
Niagara, - - -	25
Wolverine, - -	25

Call and see samples.
Second hand wheels for sale.

LARGE LINE OF,

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AT LOWEST PRICES.

Easy terms to buyers.

W. S. Rishton, Ph. G.
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Telephone.

WANTED.

A good team of working horses. Must be sound, and well broken.

THE LEADER STORE CO. L'T'D.
Corner 4th & Market St.,
Bloomsburg. 6-21-tf

Leases and notices to quit, for sale at this office. tf.

August 16th will be the twelfth anniversary of Theta Castle 276, Knights of the Golden Eagle, of this town.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer W. Kester, of Mt. Pleasant township, were bereft of an eleven-months-old daughter Saturday night last.

Among the Presbyterian Missionaries in the Shantung Province, China, who are reported safe, are Dr. and Mrs. James B. Neal.

Nervousness is cured by making the blood rich and pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla. It gives the sweet, refreshing sleep of childhood.

The price of coffee has advanced half a cent a pound, and now boarding house guests will have more "grounds" for complaint than ever.

Boyd Ikeler's home in Mt. Pleasant township was struck by lightning and considerably damaged during a heavy thunder storm Saturday night.

Peruna, Swamp-Root, Hood's Sarsaparilla, Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound, and all patent medicines, at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

The cyclometer on J. M. Staver's automobile registers over 500 miles, most of which has been made in short drives around town and nearby.

July 24. of last year, John Reese, of Beach Haven, was bitten on the foot by a mad dog, and on Tuesday he died in terrible agony as the result of it.

Mrs. William Shultz died after a lingering illness at her home in Madison township, Wednesday morning at a ripe old age. Her husband has been dead for many years.

The A. M. E. Campmeeting will open at Hess Grove, Rupert, Sunday next. Able preachers will be in attendance throughout the entire meeting. The singing will be a feature.

S. F. Peacock has opened an office in L. N. Moyer's building, second floor. He is in the insurance business and a notary public, and is also Secretary of Rosemont Cemetery Co.

The Rev. and Mrs. George E. Limbert spent Sunday in Orangeville. Rev. Limbert assisted in the opening exercises of the new Orangeville church Sunday morning.—Danville *News*.

James Scarlet, Esq., of Danville, will defend Arthur Brown, of Sunbury, who is charged with the murder of Frederick Kline, by hitting him over the head with an iron pipe in Sunbury July 4th.

Death, with its saddening influences, entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, of Millville, on Saturday evening last, and removed therefrom their little daughter, Ethel, aged one year and one month.

Mrs. Jacob Kline of Fishingcreek township, was taken to the Danville Hospital on Tuesday by J. A. Karns and J. F. Hess. On the day previous her husband was taken to the same institution by Sheriff Black.

J. G. Wells has put some handsome show cases in his hardware store. His stock has been overhauled and rearranged, and he is offering certain lines of goods very cheap to close them out. Take a look at his bargain tables.

Keep in mind the Silk Mill Excursion to Milton Park on August 18th.

Bryan buttons are becoming numerous on the coat lapels of our residents.

Prof. Brooks of this town has been secured as instructor of a new band recently organized at Lime Ridge.

The residence of the late Mrs. M. Louisa Schuyler on Market street was sold at public sale on Monday for $2800. The property was struck down to J. R. Schuyler.

It has been definitely decided that Susquehanna University will remain in Selinsgrove. A new building will be erected, work on which will soon be commenced.

The towns along the line of the Bloomsburg & Sullivan, contributed largely to the P. O. S. of A. picnic to Star Island Park on Saturday, which aided materially in making the excursion a success.

The recruiting station for the regular army which has been in Bloomsburg for the past month, has been removed to Scranton. Six recruits were obtained here. A number of applicants failed to pass the physical examination.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Purman are out on a pleasure trip. They are driving through the several surrounding counties. The benefits to be derived from such an outing are said to be many. The doctor's health is steadily improving.

The Columbia County W. C. T. U. Executive Committee meets at Lightstreet next Thursday, the 26th, at 1:30 p. m., in the M. E. Church. A full attendance is desired by the President, as arrangements will be made for the coming convention.

The Girton family re-union will be held in Hess' Grove, Rupert, Thursday, August 9. All the Girtons and their friends are invited to be present. Should it rain on Thursday the re-union will be held on Friday.

S. J. JOHNSON, Sec'y.

A new post office order will allow carriers to work more than eight hours per week. Heretofore when a carrier's eight hours were up he took what mail he had not delivered, back to the post office. Under the new rule he will deliver all his mail.

John Cyle, of Berwick, the small boy admitted to the State Hospital at Hazleton about two weeks ago, had his leg amputated Friday. The little fellow fell some weeks ago, badly bruising his leg. Every effort was made to save it but it was impossible. The boy will recover.

The price paid to the huckleberry pickers has now reached rock bottom—three cents per quart. The crop seems to be fairly large, but the pickers this year are scarce, due to the small price paid. At three cents a quart the berries are scarcely worth gathering.—Hazleton *Standard*.

The picnic of the employees of the Bloomsburg Silk Mill, to be held at Milton Park, Saturday, August 18, will be the largest of the season. The distance to be traveled is short which, of course, makes the fare low, and this will attract the people. Metherell's orchestra will accompany the picnic and furnish music for dancing.

The Winona Fire Company is preparing for its second annual theatrical appearance. The boys will hold the boards at the local play house Tuesday evening October 9. The offering this year is an exceptionally strong one. The latest popular songs will be featured with large colored pictures from life.

People may question the methods and work of the Salvation Army and then scoff at its converts, but just the same it takes more courage for a young man to break away from his evil associates and engage in the street services, when a half dozen or more of his old cronies are jeering at him, than it does for a general, back in the rear, in a place of safety, to tell a thousand soldiers where and how to fight.

The "Farm Journal" is 23 years old, prints 40 tons of paper a month, and is out of debt; has a new press that will print 100 papers a minute; it is cut to fit every progressive farmer and villager. Don't you want this fine little paper? Now we have a clubbing arrangement with the "Farm Journal" by which, if you pay in advance, you can have the COLUMBIAN one year and the "Farm Journal" nearly five years, remainder of 1900, and all of 1901, 1902, 1903 and 1904. all for $1.00. Did you ever hear of such an offer?

PURELY PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bloch of Danville, spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. F. P. Cosper and family of Pittston, are visiting at G. W. Correll's.

George Hummer of Jamison City, attended to business in town Monday.

Frank Tierney, of Wilkes-Barre, is spending a week's vacation with his mother.

William S. Moyer and daughter Miss Martha are home from Highland Lake.

Miss Bertha Greatrex of Iron street, is visiting with relatives in Youngsville, New York.

J. E. Roys will go to Tunknannock tomorrow, where his wife and daughter are visiting.

Miss Edna Wilson and Miss Annie Eyer have returned home from a visit with friends in Ohio.

Rev. J. D. Thomas, pastor of the Reformed Church, is spending a month's vacation in Ohio.

DeForest Hummer was a guest Tuesday and Wednesday at Camp Idleness, above Orangeville.

Mrs. Judge Elwell and grandson, Elwell Funk, are spending several weeks at Sayre and Towanda.

Henry Ohl spent Sunday with his son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Potter, at Millville.

John McDowell of New York City, is enjoying his annual vacation visiting relatives in Light Street.

Miss Margaret Hidlay is spending her vacation with her sister, Mrs. Drum, in Center township.

Mrs. E. R. Drinker and daughter, Miss Lydia, have gone to Bailey's Island, off the New England coast.

Mrs. Benj. H. Vannatta, of Blair County is the guest of Mr. Vannatta's mother and sisters on Iron Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gidding and Warren Gidding, of New York, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Gidding yesterday.

Miss Bertha Hagenbuch has returned home after an absence of ten days, during which time she visited relatives at Hamburg.

Miss Bessie Hendershott returned home on Monday from Philadelphia, where she had spent the past month with relatives.

Harry Houck of the Internal Revenue Office, Scranton, spent Sunday in town. He was a pleasant caller at our office on Monday.

Miles and Hiram Albertson, with their families are visiting relatives at Rohrsburg. Miles resides in Georgia and Hiram in Mississippi.

S. C. Brown returned from "Camp Idleness" yesterday afternoon He reports all the campers healthy and happy. He will return to camp next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Unangst, of New York, after spending ten days here with relatives, left on Wednesday for Loon Lake in the Adirondacks, where they will spend part of the summer.

Prof. George E. Wilbur was a Shickshinny visitor Monday. Prof. Wilbur came up from Bloomsburg in the interest of the Royal Arcanum, hoping to effect an organization here. —Shickshinny Echo.

Miss Annie Hassert departed yesterday for Kingston, where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Edward Sleppy for a few days. She will also visit another sister, Mrs. Erath in Wilkesbarre, before returning home.

Rev. Father McCann, formerly of St. Columba's Catholic Church, this town, now at Locust Gap, assisted in the confirmation of a class of two hundred, at St. Ignatius' Church, Centralia, Sunday afternoon.

R. B. Grotz and William Hoffman accompanied the P. O. S. of A. picnic to Star Island Park on Saturday. They took advantage of the opportunity offered and remained in Williamsport with friends over Sunday.

Mrs. Clark Brown and daughter, Mrs. Grier Quick left last Thursday for Easton, where they will visit for several days. They will then continue their journey on to Jersey City, N. J., where they will be the guests of Frank S. Brown for a week.

Druggist W. K. Armstrong, Mrs. Armstrong and daughter, Martha, will spend a week or two at the seashore. During Mr. Armstrong's absence the store will be in cargo of Robert Mervine, an experienced and reliable pharmacist.—"Milton Record."

Miss Mary Clark went to New York on Tuesday, and there met her sister Miss Martha, who has been spending the past week with Mrs. Dr. E. F. Smith. They went from there to Bailey's Island off the coast of Maine, where they will spend a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Sharpless of Pueblo, Colorado, who have been visiting the former's relatives here for more than a month departed on Monday for New York City. Mrs. Sharpless will go to Paris to visit the Exposition, and Mr. Sharpless will spend some time at Ocean Grove.

Dr. E. F. Smith and Dr. Schierge of New York City, arrived in Bloomsburg last Friday on a bicycle tour, and spent Saturday calling on friends here. They rode from New York to Trenton, thence to Philadelphia, and up through Reading. They left here on Sunday morning, expecting to reach Scranton by evening and thence by Delaware Water Gap back to New York. The extremely warm weather forced them to take advantage of railroad facilities for a goodly portion of their trip.

Anthony Conroy, a lunatic escaped from the Danville Asylum on Wednesday of last week, and is still hiding in the mountains. On January 31st of the present year, he criminally assaulted 15 year old Mary Kreitzer in a restaurant at Sunbury, for which he was arrested, given a hearing and sent to jail. At a subsequent term of court he was adjudged insane by a jury of twelve men and sent to the asylum. Conroy is about 28 years of age, clean shaven, 5 feet 7 inches tall and weighs about 140 pounds.

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never stops because the weather is warm.

Then why stop taking

SCOTT'S EMULSION

simply because it's summer? Keep taking it. It will heal your lungs, and make them strong for another winter.

50c. and $1.00; all druggists.

Clarks' Store Talk.

Friday, July 27th, 1900.

The CLEAN-UP-SALE offers you attractive bargains, in many lines of goods, at greatly reduced prices. They must move out, as fall goods are coming in now

WASH DRESS GOODS.

We call attention to these again, as this is just the time you need them most, and they are cheaper now. See them.

20c Dimities, clean-up price, 12½c.
15c Organdies, clean-up price, 8c yard.
40c Printed Swisses, now 16c yard.
Plain Colored Ducks now 9c
15c Printed Piques, now 9c
Fine Dress Ginghams, 8c.
Plaid Madras Cloths now 20c.
Fine Madras Cloth, 12c yd.
Fine Denims, 10c yd.

SUMMER CORSETS, WAISTS

Our N. H. Corset, lace trimmed, top and bottom, exactly like dollar goods, only not so well boned, at 50c each.
Our medium Summer Corset, 50c.
Batiste Corsets, $1 00.
R. & G. Corsets, 1 00.
High Bust " 1 00.
Bust Forms, Bustles, Corset Shields, Stays, &c.

KNITTED UNDERWEAR.

Knit Corset Covers, 25c.
Knit Drawers, lace trimmed 25c.
Knit Vest, tape neck and sleeves, 10c.
Knit Vests, short sleeve, 10c
Silk Vests, 50c.
Men's Balbriggan, 50c.
Children's Vests, 10c.

CORSET COVERS.

In Cambric and Muslin. All styles, all prices.

NEW FALL DRESS GOODS.

Here they are, in the newest and popular shades and fabrics. Early buyers have the chance of selecting now. If you want a dress or a separate skirt, we have the materials, just from the looms, and the prices will please you. They came a little early, but cash was wanted. So you save a little by our purchase for cash.

52 in. all wool Homespun, 75c.
45 in. pure Mohair, 87½c.
45 in. sponged Zibeline, 58c
40 in. all wool " 50c
52 in. all wool Black Cheviot, sponged and shrunk, special value, at 80c. yd.

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No shoe ever made has the style and beauty of the

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PATENT KID OXFORD.

It makes any foot look attractive and a pretty foot all the prettier. It is delightfully easy and gives excellent service. Other styles for all-'round wear, golfing, wheeling. For all uses, all occasions.

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GENERAL JONES DEAD.

A Soldier of the Civil War and Prominent In Affairs of State.

NEW YORK, July 23.—Patrick Henry Jones, brigadier general of United States volunteers, retired, is dead at his residence on Ann street, Port Richmond, S. I., after an illness of four years.

General Jones was born in Westmeath, Ireland, on Nov. 20, 1830, and came to America in 1840 with his parents, who settled in the upper part of New York state. After working on a farm for a few years he read law and was admitted to the bar in 1856. At the outbreak of the civil war he entered the Thirty-seventh New York volunteers as second lieutenant and subsequently became adjutant and major of the same regiment and later colonel of the One Hundred and Fifty-fourth New York volunteers. On Dec. 4, 1864, he was commissioned brigadier general of volunteers and remained in the service until the close of the war, when he resigned and resumed the practice of his profession at Ellicottville, N. Y.

At the state election in 1865 he was elected clerk of the court of appeals in this state, which position he held for three years. On April 1, 1869, he was appointed postmaster of New York city and served as such during Grant's first term, after which he again practiced law, and in 1875 he was elected register of the city and county of New York and held that position for three years. He is survived by his wife and four sons.

MANY FILIPINOS KILLED.

American Losses Slight—Amnesty For Aguinaldo.

MANILA, July 23.—It is officially announced that last week 200 insurgents were killed and 130 surrendered or were captured. One hundred rifles were taken. Twelve Americans were killed and 11 wounded. This includes the casualties of Colonel William E. Birkhimer's engagement with a force of the Twenty-eighth volunteer infantry, who attacked 200 insurgents intrenched two miles east of Taal, killing 38.

A detachment of the signal corps while repairing wires was twice ambushed.

Captain Charles D. Roberts of the Thirty-fifth volunteer infantry, who was captured by the Filipinos last May, has arrived here on parole. He will not return to captivity.

Senor Buencamino last Thursday sent to Aguinaldo by means of Aguinaldo's mother the amnesty resolutions adopted by the meeting of representative Filipinos here on June 21, together with General MacArthur's answer to them and other documents bearing upon the restoration of peace. It is understood that Aguinaldo will summon his advisers and that a reply may be expected within a month.

Filipinos here will give a banquet next Saturday in celebration of President McKinley's order of amnesty.

A YELLOW FEVER OUTBREAK.

A Number of Cases In the Barracks of American Troops In Cuba.

HAVANA, July 24.—Yellow fever has broken out in the barracks of the Seventh United States cavalry and the First United States infantry in Pinar del Rio. There have been nine deaths during the present month, and 11 cases are now under treatment in the hospitals. General Lee has ordered the camp moved three miles into the country, and quarantine will be strictly enforced.

The chief surgeon has received orders to institute a thorough investigation into the cause of the outbreak, and special preparation is being made for a thorough disinfection before the First infantry embarks for the United States.

Chinch Bugs Try City Life.

MINNEAPOLIS, July 24.—Chinch bugs have come into the city in large numbers, much to the surprise of entomologists and in direct violation of their theories. Just why they should leave the fields, where they are always confined, in hooks, has not yet been explained. Scientists approached on the subject were unable to give any satisfactory explanation. Some were unwilling to attempt to account for the visitation. They were blown hither and thither in the air by every wind and stuck persistently to buildings or sidewalks. Pedestrians found their clothing covered with the little pests, and it was with great difficulty that they were removed.

Wire Nail In Appendix.

BOSTON, July 24.—Isaac Lipson, 8 years old, who lives with his parents at 20 West Third street, Chelsea, was taken ill a day or two ago. He had all the symptoms of appendicitis, and early Monday morning he was taken to the Frost hospital in that city. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon Dr. William R. Chipman performed an operation on the boy. He found the appendix was badly ulcerated, and on cutting away the growth Dr. Chipman ran across a wire nail one inch in length. The nail was firmly driven through the appendix, and it required considerable skill on the part of the physician to successfully remove it.

Year's Trade Over Two Billions.

WASHINGTON, July 21.—The total foreign commerce of the United States during the fiscal year 1900 exceeds by 16 2-3 per cent that of any preceding year, being $320,000,000 greater than that of 1899, the heaviest one on record preceding the one which has just ended. The total commerce of the year, as shown by the figures of the treasury bureau of statistics, is $2,244,193,500.

New York Markets.

FLOUR—State and western continued weak, with no demand except on urgent calls for small lots to supply current needs; Minnesota patents, $4.25@4.75; winter straights, $3.75@3.90; winter extras, $2.75@3.10; winter patents, $4@4.50.

WHEAT—Weak and lower through bearish cables, liquidation and the break in corn; September, 80⅝@81 3-16c.; October, 81⅛@81⅝c.

RYE—Weak; state, 55@56c., c. i. f., New York, car lots; No. 2 western, 59¾c., f. o. b., afloat.

CORN—Sold off sharply under good rain all through the belt, prompting further liquidation; September, 43⅝@44⅝c.; December, 40⅝@41⅜c.

OATS—Dull and weak; track, white, state, 28½@34c.; track, white, western, 28½@34c.

PORK—Quiet; mess, $12.75@13.50; family, $14.50@15.50.

LARD—Steady; prime western steam, 7.15c.

BUTTER—Steady; state dairy, 15½@19c.; creamery, 17@20c.

CHEESE—Steady; large white, 9¼c.; small white, 9⅝@9⅝c.

EGGS—Firm; state and Pennsylvania, at mark, 14@17c. for average lots; western, loss off, 15½c.

SUGAR—Raw strong; fair refining, 4⅝c.; centrifugal, 96 test, 4⅞c.; refined firm; crushed, 6.40c.; powdered, 6.10c.

TURPENTINE—Quiet at 45½@46c.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans, 44@55c.

TALLOW—Firm; city, 4⅜c.; country, 3¾@4⅜c.

HAY—Firm; shipping, 70@75c.; good to choice, 90@92½c.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and Tersely Told.

Geronimo, the Indian chief, has become insane.

The Third battalion of the Fifteenth infantry has started for China.

The Prince of Wales was made a member of the Royal College of Surgeons.

Governor General Wood denied that the salaries of Cuban teachers are to be reduced.

The government rested its case in the Neely extradition proceedings before Justice Lacombe.

Six companies of the Eighth United States infantry boarded trains at Jersey City en route for China.

The Goebel prosecution secured writs against the secretary of state and adjutant general of Kentucky.

The attorney general of New York will ask Justice Kellogg to vacate the stay in the case against the ice trust.

Tuesday, July 24.

The machinery of Lieutenant Peary's steamer Windward has broken down.

Archie Lawson, aged 21 years, was drowned in Chautauqua lake outlet.

Football Captain Daly of Harvard failed to pass his West Point examinations.

Testimony against Charles F. W. Neely was taken in the proceedings for his extradition.

Joseph Mullen was put to death in the Sing Sing state prison for the murder of his wife in New York city in 1898.

Adolph Roknitki of Wallingford, Conn., set fire to his house and then committed suicide. His wife and children barely escaped.

John Howard Bryant, brother of William Cullen Bryant, celebrated the ninety-third anniversary of his birth at Princeton, Ills.

Monday, July 23.

The new Russian cruiser Varing left Cramps' shipyard for an official speed trial off the New England coast.

At the meeting of the Christian Missionary alliance at Cleveland, O., $10,000 was subscribed for foreign missions.

Gilbert H. Lien, a brother of the fusionist candidate for governor of South Dakota, died suddenly at Sioux Falls.

At Muscatine, Ia., one of the warehouses of the Huttig Sash and Door company was burned, with a loss of $80,000.

The remains of about 700 Americans buried on the battlefield of Buena Vista are to be moved from Mexican to American soil.

Morris Lurie, aged 6 years, missing from his home in Punxsutawney, Pa., has just been found in the custody of kidnapers.

Saturday, July 21.

Queen Victoria and her suit arrived at Osborne.

A massacre of native Christians in Persia was reported as impending.

The California wheat crop will fall far short of the estimates of two months ago.

The Prince of Wales' Diamond Jubilee won the Eclipse stakes at Sandown park.

The Peary relief ship, the Windward, sailed from Cape Breton with all on board well.

Miss Bessie Anthony of the Evanston Golf club won the western woman's golf championship at Chicago.

Two hundred persons were reported killed or injured by a volcanic eruption from Mount Azuma in Japan.

Friday, July 20.

The first cargo of Pennsylvania soft coal ever sent from Philadelphia to London will leave shortly.

United States Judge Lacombe decided a mere indictment was not sufficient for the extradition of Neely.

Mr. William Waldorf Astor expressed regret in The Pall Mall Gazette for the famous paragraph about Sir Archibald Berkeley Milne.

A rapid fire gun mounted on an automobile of special construction started from Fort Sheridan on an experimental trip to Washington.

President Loubet of France reviewed the combined Mediterranean and channel squadrons, 42 warships in all, in the harbor at Cherbourg.

Thursday, July 19.

The Hampton negro conference met at Newport News.

The total number of applicants for examination for entrance to Princeton this summer was 785.

John A. Black, a prominent Kentucky banker, testified against Caleb Powers in the Goebel shooting case.

The report of Commissioner of Patents Duell showed a total of 26,540 patents granted during the last fiscal year.

Intense heat prevailed over the eastern and middle states for the third consecutive day. Many prostrations were reported.

The pictures of the eclipse by Professor Buckhalter of Oakland, Cal., have demonstrated the success of his new method of astronomical photography.

The steamer City of Venice and the schooner G. K. Jackson collided at the entrance to Buffalo harbor, and the Jackson was beached to prevent her sinking.

Killed by Explosion.

NEW YORK, July 24.—Just after the close of the Larchmont Yacht club regatta last evening a naphtha launch containing Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Crowe of Center avenue, New Rochelle, and their 16-year-old son, Clinton, exploded off Premium point, the residence of Oliver Iselin, Jr. Mrs. Crowe and her son were instantly killed and frightfully mangled. Mr. Crowe was hurled into the water. His thigh was fractured, and he was internally injured. It is believed that his injuries are fatal.

The Monsoon Favorable.

LONDON, July 24.—The viceroy of India, Baron Curzon of Kedleston, telegraphs to Lord George Hamilton, secretary of state for India, that the monsoon continues favorable this week except in Gujerat, Kathiawar, Baroda and Rajputana West, where cultivation is at a standstill and rain is greatly needed for fodder. The number on the famine relief list now reaches 6,281,000.

Strangled In Its Crib.

ITHACA, N. Y., July 25.—A peculiar accident occurred here when the 8-month-old son of Frank Romer of Albany street was strangled to death in his crib. The child caught its head between the side slats of the crib and was strangled before it was noticed.

Youthful Life Savers.

UTICA, N. Y., July 24.—Willie Shallie, aged 8 years, was saved from drowning in the canal by two companions, aged 10, who lay on the bank and pulled him out when he came up the first time. They will be awarded life savers' medals.

A PROPHETIC DREAM.

"THERE was a man along here to-day," remarked Hiram, "who is arranging to secure the right of way for an electric road right past our farm."

"What's that?" asked Uncle Abner, who had been dozing in his armchair, but now suddenly awakened.

"I say there was a man along here to-day trying to get a right of way for an electric road," repeated Hiram.

"Wanted a right of way for an electric road, did he?" replied Uncle Abner.

"That's what he said," said Hiram.

"A real electric road?" demanded Uncle Abner.

"I guess it was," said Hiram. "At least that is what I took it to be, and that is what he said it was to be. One to carry freight and passengers."

"It's all coming true!" repeated Uncle Abner, half to himself. "I might have known it."

"What's coming true?" demanded Hiram.

"My dream," answered Uncle Abner. Then he asked: "Where's this road to run?"

"Between Millville and Martinsburg," replied Hiram. "You know, there's a road runs out from the city as far as Millville now, and they want to extend it to Martinsburg this summer, and then next year they hope to push on to Clear Springs. You ought to have heard this fellow talk about it. It will be almost like bringing the city right to our doors. Why, Millville will only seem two squares away, and Martinsburg will be just around the corner, so to speak."

"I know, I know," returned Uncle Abner. "I dreamed it all. We can run into town for the circus and get back in time to do the chores. I know all about it."

"What was your dream?"

"Want to hear it?"

"Sure," said Hiram, and Hannah and Lizzie and Henry all nodded their heads.

Uncle Abner leaned back in his chair and half closed his eyes.

"Well," he said, "I dreamed that there was a trolley car track on every road—crossroads as well as highways."

"There will be pretty soon," broke in Hiram.

"Wait," cautioned Uncle Abner. "That wasn't all, by a good deal. I dreamed I was sitting here in this chair and Hannah was sitting over there where she is, and pretty soon you came in from the barn.

"'Hannah,' said you, 'has that new suit of clothes I ordered in town come out yet?'

"'Not yet,' said Hannah.

"'Well,' said you, 'that's a nice thing, isn't it? I ordered that suit of clothes before nine o'clock this morning, and here it is after three in the afternoon. I want it to wear to the theater to-night.'"

"What's that got to do with the trolley car?" interrupted Hiram.

"Wait," said Uncle Abner again. "You fumed and fretted round for awhile, and finally you said: 'I wish you'd call up that clothing store and ask them what's the matter. They know my size.'"

"Call 'em up?" broke in Hiram again.

"Sure," answered Uncle Abner. "On the telephone, you know."

Hiram gave a low whistle.

"You must have been eating mince pie," he suggested.

"Just you hold your horses," protested Uncle Abner. "I'm not through yet."

"Go on," said Hiram.

"Well, Hannah answered that perhaps you'd better wait half an hour, because the 3:48 car hadn't been along yet, and they'd very likely come out on that with the laundry."

"With the—"

"Now, you keep still!" exclaimed Uncle Abner, angrily. "I'm the one who had this dream and I'm the one who's telling about it. She was expecting them with the laundry, of course, which was sent into town every Monday morning and came out again every Wednesday afternoon. And that's the way they came, too, according to my dream."

Hiram drew a long breath.

"Well, you're a good dreamer, all right," he said at last.

"But that isn't all," asserted Uncle Abner. "After you'd got your clothes I dreamed I heard you talking again, and you were asking Hannah what time the theater car came along, so's you could be dressed in time; and after that you wanted to know if she'd ordered the motor."

"The motor?"

"Sure. I remember your very words. You said: 'Hannah, I've got those two trailers sidetracked in the barn loaded with hay, and I want to get them to market. If you ordered them to send out a motor when I told you it ought to have been along to-day to pick them up and haul them into town.'

"'That's all right,' answered Hannah. 'You know you ordered a sofa, folding bed and half a dozen dining-room chairs sent out to-morrow, and I found it would be cheaper to have the motor that brings that car load out take back your hay, so I told them not to bother about sending one out to-day.'

"'Correct,' said you, 'but there's that threshing machine that's got to go to Si Hawkins over on the Pikeville road. That isn't on the main line, so we'll have to have another motor car for that job, and when you order it tell them to send along an extra man to do the switching. I don't see why anyone wants to live away off on these sidetrack roads, anyway. It's an awful nuisance getting to them.'"

"Is that all?" asked Hiram, as Uncle Abner paused.

"Hardly," was the answer. "Just as you were about ready to leave for the theater I dreamed Hannah said to you: 'Don't forget about Lizzie's party next Saturday evening. You can make the arrangements while you're in town to-night a good deal better than I can over the telephone.'

"'All right,' said you. 'What do you want me to do?'

"'Well,' said Hannah, 'I think three observation cars will be enough, and you can tell them that the young people will probably take about a 20-mile ride and will decide for themselves at the time just where they'll go. Then Lizzie and I ought to have a car to make a few calls some day next week.'

"'I can't afford it,' said you.

"'Sam Tolliver's wife has had a car with a man in livery to leave her cards for her twice in the last week,' urged Hannah.

"'Oh, well, I'll order two men in livery,' said you, with some show of temper. 'I did mean to have the tracks running into the barn fixed next week, but if you've got to spend a lot of money making calls I'll have to let it go for awhile. Say! but society is expensive! I tremble when I think of the trolley bill I'll have to pay when Lizzie is married.'"

"And then?" suggested Hiram.

"Then the theater car came along, you took it and I woke up."

"It was time," said Hiram; "and I think you'd better diet yourself and avoid rich food for a week or so. You're getting too far ahead of the rest of the world."

"Oh, I don't know," answered Uncle Abner. "The world seems to be following after me pretty fast. The trolley man has been here, hasn't he?"—Chicago Post.

TWO POPULAR PASTIMES.

Bicycle Riding and Golf Have Gained the Greatest Hold in America.

The two forms of recreation which have taken the greatest hold upon the American public are bicycle riding and golf. Why these pastimes have attained so great a popularity in this country is not difficult to understand; and an analysis of the elements of their great success involves an enumeration of those elements which must be found in every sport which approaches the ideal, says the Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post.

Wheeling and golfing are equally adapted to the pleasure of both men and women, and naturally bring them together for their outings. This insures the wheel and the golf club a place in thousands of homes from which they would otherwise be excluded, for many husbands will not allow themselves regular indulgence in a recreation which may not be shared by their wives, and when to the intrinsic interest of any recreation is added the zest of social intercourse between the two sexes its pleasures and attractions are multiplied.

That pastime which calls its participants into places of scenic beauty, and at the same time furnishes them with the exhilaration of interesting exercise, possesses a sure and a potent charm. No recreation possesses this characteristic in a greater degree than does golf.

DEMAND FOR BELGIAN HARES.

Numerous Shipments Are Now Being Made to Eastern Cities from the West.

Belgian hares are being shipped to the Chicago and New York markets in enormous numbers from the west. There are large numbers of rabbit farms in Nebraska, and Omaha commission men are beginning to reap a rich harvest from this traffic. A ready sale is found for the animals for shipment to all eastern cities, says a Chicago paper.

The income from some of these rabbit farms, started by children, has been large. At Columbus a boy started with a pair of rabbits and in one year cleared $300 and had left more than 200 rabbits. They breed six times a year and begin to propagate at the age of four months. Many of these little animals have escaped in Nebraska and Kansas and have already occasioned alarm among farmers for fear that they will increase so rapidly that they will become a menace to crops.

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Literary Notes for August McClure's.

"A Prisoner Among Filipinos" is the title of Lieut. Commander James C. Gillmore's account of his extraordinary experiences in the Phillipines," which begins in the August "McClure's." Lieut. Gillmore was captured by savage tribes while out in a small boat with a scouting party on the East coast of Luzon. He had more than one narrow escape from death. For several months these men traveled hundreds of miles through the heart of Luzon, enduring unspeakable hardships, with no prospect of escape from an awful fate at the hands of bloodthirsty Tagals. The illustrations by W. R. Leigh, after the author's own sketches, are marvelously graphic.

Since the appearance of the Jungle-Book animal stories have become popular, but it is doubtful whether any one ever tried to tell a story about a porcupine. In the August "McClure's," however, Mr. William Davenport Hulbert tells about a porcupine living in the woods of Michigan and describes his mischievous escapades, his adventures with human and brute foes, and the misfortune that befell him in his old age, as if he were a real human being. This article is illustrated with pictures from photographs by A. R. Dugmore.

"An International Wheat Corner," by J. D. Whelpley, in August "McClure's, gives a somewhat startling revelation of a proposition made not long ago by the Russian government to the United States, whereby the two nations should control the wheat supply of the entire world and fix its price at a uniform rate which should never fluctuate. These details have never before been made public.

Josiah Flynt and Francis Walton begin their "True Stories from the Under-World" in the August "McClure's with "In the Matter of His Nibs." The chief characters in the story are a detective, several thieves and a New York police captain. The stories are illustrated by studies from actual types in the Rogues' Gallery.

The mid-summer fiction number of "McClure's Magazine" will contain contributions by Frank H. Spearman, Jack London, Ian Maclaren, E. S. Martin, and others, in addition to several special articles of unusual interest. The cover, by Louis Loeb, is one of the most attractive that this magazine has ever had. S. S. McCLURE CO.

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PUNISHED A BURGLAR

"I HAD a funny experience with a burglar once," said a government official whose home is in northern Pennsylvania when he is not serving his country. "My house is three miles from the city on a fine piece of road, and though there is a good deal of passing that way I have never been troubled with marauders about my place except for the usual raids on my orchard and this one occasion about which I am telling you.

"Not that I was in the habit of wishing for an adventure with a burglar, for I desired nothing of the sort. While the life I led was a quiet one it suited me quite well, and I did not need a little gun-play exercise with a midnight marauder to appreciate the beauty of living. I had never imagined that burglars were possible in that secluded spot, and so was all the more surprised when one really arrived. In fact, I do not really understand how I made myself believe that my visitor was a burglar before I saw him.

"It was on a winter night about one o'clock that I was disturbed by some one falling over a chair in the room next to mine. This was the dining-room, and my room was the only one on that floor which was occupied at night. I thought it might be somebody who had no business there, and, taking my revolver, I proceeded to investigate, having waited long enough for the burglar, if it was a burglar, to think that the noise he had made had not wakened anybody.

"I slipped along the hall to the parlor in front and came back through the parlor to the dining-room door, which was ajar. I could see a dim light coming through the doorway, which I knew was out of the ordinary condition in that room at that hour, and, expecting to have a scrap, I nerved myself for it by standing stock still for a minute and wondering what the dickens anybody wanted to be robbing houses for and giving the inmates all sorts of disagreeable feelings. Did you ever tackle a burglar in the dead of the night? No? Well, you'll never know what it is like until you've been there. Knowing that if I made any noise the burglar would turn his eyes and perhaps his gun to about the place where he thought a man's head ought to be when he came through a door, I got down on my hands and knees and crawled up to where I could peep in. He did not hear me, and I could see him, over in the corner where the sideboard was, taking a bite to eat preparatory to loading what swag he had collected in the shape of silver spoons and other bric-a-brac into his bag. A lamp, turned down low, was on the sideboard beyond him, and I had a good look at him. I wanted to shoot him on the spot, but that didn't seem to be quite fair, so I rose to my feet with my gun on him and ordered him to throw up his hands. I don't know which one of us was more scared at that moment, but I had the advantage, and he let his hands go up and begged me not to shoot. I told him I would use my own pleasure about that, and went over and turned up the light.

"He was not a bad-looking burglar, as burglars go, a man of 30, perhaps, and evidently not an old hand at the business, or he never would have stumbled over that chair. The only weapon he carried was a small four-barreled pistol, which I still have as a souvenir of the occasion, and after I had got him in a helpless condition I began to wonder what I was going to do with him. It was a bitter cold night, and I didn't want to drive to town with him; neither did I want to sit up all night with him, and we had no telephone. He begged me to let him go; he was only a beginner, and would swear off forever if I gave him a chance.

"After thinking the matter over I concluded to give him the chance, although I was going to do it my own way. I told him I had no wish to spoil his future, and that upon his solemn promise to reform I would let him go. He went down on his knees, swearing that he would never do so any more, and I told him to get up and take off his coat. He asked me what for, but I said that was my business, and to do what I told him. He obeyed me, and I followed with orders to take off his waistcoat and his collar. He objected when I told him to take off his trousers, but I got a buggy whip standing in the corner, and a lick or two with it convinced him that he had better obey orders and file his objections at some later period. It required a few more licks with the whip to get his shoes and shirt off, but after that he submitted, and presently he was ready for the bath. He was a clean-limbed, clear-skinned, healthy chap, and I felt quite certain in my mind he was equal to the stunt I had arranged for him.

"I made him put on his shoes now, leaving off his socks, and then I conducted him to the front door, which I had noticed he left open in order to facilitate his departure in case of emergency. He shivered when he came out into the draft, but I did not offer him an overcoat.

"'For God's sake, mister,' he asked, as his teeth chattered, 'what are you going to do with me?'

"'I'm going to let you go,' I responded, 'and you've got to go like thunder or you'll freeze to death. It's three miles to town, but the road is smooth, and you have on your shoes, and are not carrying any extra weight. The mercury is down to zero, and if you stop to loaf along the way you'll be frostbitten, so you had better hustle pretty lively. Get out, now, and get quick,' and I opened the door wide, hit him a cut with the whip, and he went out and off the porch with a jump. He never stopped to look back, but went down the gravel path to the gate like a sprinter. The moon was shining and I could see him for a quarter of a mile down the pike, going like a scared rabbit. Then I returned to my virtuous couch, feeling as if I had done a great work of reform and wishing I could catch a burglar about three times a week.

"The morning paper had a notice in its last edition of the capture of a clotheless man at 1:45 a. m. by the police, who chased him half a mile straightaway on a bicycle. It was not known whether he was a lunatic or not, and he was held on suspicion. I went around to the station house about ten o'clock to see the prisoner, and he recognized me at once and got white with fright. Of course he thought I was there to put the finishing touches on him, but I soon convinced him that he could trust me. I told the police people a war tale about his being a hired man of mine who was subject to fits, and got him off all right. I gave him his clothes and five dollars for pin money, and told him to get out of the neighborhood as fast as he had got over the pike the night before. He laughed and said he couldn't, for there wasn't a locomotive in that part of the country could make the time he did for the first two miles and a half. He left, though, as soon as he could, with many thanks to me, and I heard from him three weeks later in Buffalo, where he had got a good job in a machine shop and already had a bank account of $25, a check for five of which he inclosed to me."—N. Y. Sun.

EXPERT RIFLE SHOT.

Young Detroit Girl Shows Rare Skill in Marksmanship.

Sonia Wright Never Fired a Shot Before Last October, and Now She Is Pronounced a Marvel by All Sharpshooters.

Miss Sonia Wright, of Detroit, Mich., is said by those who know her to be the most remarkable rifle shot in the country.

Two years ago she was a teacher of elocution and physical culture in Detroit. She found the field overcrowded and began reading proof in the office of the Evening Mail at Lafayette, Ind. There she met the man who discovered her wonderful skill with the rifle.

John E. Long, assistant engineer of the Lafayette waterworks, is known as an expert shot and the father of the "Hoosier Boy Shot," who won considerable fame at the world's fair for his remarkable skill with the rifle. Miss Wright was included in an invitation to visit the waterworks last October, and went with several friends. Mr. Long happened to mention, in a reminiscent mood, how lonely he felt without his son, who had been such a treasure to him in various ways.

"I miss him so much," he remarked, "in my shooting, and I don't seem to find anyone that can take his place."

"Why can't I pose as a pupil?" said Miss Wright, banteringly. Mr. Long invited her to call during his practice hours in the courtyard of the waterworks. He never expected to see her again, and was much surprised when she called on him one day and said she wanted to take that lesson.

Mr. Long gave to her the "lesson." He instructed her how to hold the gun

MISS SONIA WRIGHT.
(Doing Some Fancy Rifle Shooting from Her Bicycle.)

and to aim in much the same manner that he would instruct any novice.

"Now, there is the target, and you have the sight," he explained; "do your worst."

Miss Wright placed the gun to her shoulder like an amateur and fired. The bullet struck the bull's-eye. The distance was ten yards, and the shot was regarded by Mr. Long as merely a chance hit. Another shot was tried, and again the bullet struck the bull's-eye. This at once inspired him to induce her to become a permanent pupil.

Before she had taken many lessons, Mr. Long discovered that Miss Wright was really the person that he had long been searching for. He taught her the various tricks of the business and found her an extraordinarily apt pupil. Her latent talent was as much a surprise to Miss Wright as it was to her instructor. He remarked one thing about her shooting, and that was that nearly all her shots were what are technically termed "line shots." That is, they did not waver from the "sight," but were true and good. Her lessons included ten shots each, and in the sixth lesson she placed five shots in the black space, hitting the bull's eye three times and getting 112 out of a possible 120 in the score.

When she had taken eight lessons, Mr. Long was so confident of her ability that he asked her to shoot the ashes off a cigar held in his mouth at eight yards. This she did very successfully, though she went through the test with considerable trepidation.

Miss Wright was in the meantime getting famous without looking for honors in that or any other line. People used to come around to the waterworks court yard to see "the girl that shoots," and one day a committee from the St. Boniface church bazar called on her, and asked her to give an exhibition at their fair. Miss Wright didn't think she was an attraction to be featured, or that her skill was worthy of a public exhibiton, but she consented, and her marksmanship, under the direction of Mr. Long, created a sensation. This was her first stage appearance, and among other things she accomplished was the so-called "trimming of the finger nails" at eight yards. Mr. Long held candy disks in his hand, and had Miss Wright shoot holes through them. Then he lit a match and she shot it out. She also snuffed a candle, split a card and did things that made the audience gape in wonderment and demand a repetition.

Miss Wright's father was a colonel of the Royal engineers, Ireland, and she was born in the army, so to speak. She is an attractive young woman and the only denotement of her profession is a broad-brimmed "Texas summer hat," which gives her a decidedly frontier appearance. Miss Wright was born in County Fernoy, Ireland, and Detroit has been her home for ten years. Her mother resides on Grant court.

LIGHTNING KILLS WILD BOARS

Five Out of Six Imported from the Black Forest Struck Together in Pike County.

Five of six wild boars imported from the Black Forest in Germany at a cost of $100 each were lately killed by lightning at Porter's Lake, Pike county, Pa. They were brought over by Weissbrod & Hess, of Philadelphia, and were intended for breeding purposes, and it was proposed to turn their young loose in the forest, reports the New York Sun.

The animals had only just arrived and were still in their boxes, which were piled under a tree. When the storm was at its height a bolt descended, striking the tree and running down it to the animals. One in a box on top of the others escaped, but those below were instantly killed. It is said their places will be supplied by other importations.

The propagation of wild boars in this region is not a new experiment. Some wears ago Otto Plock, a wealthy broker of New York and London, whose summer home was on the west side of the Shawangunk mountain, not far from Port Jervis, turned out several wild boars in his mountain park. For a time they thrived until at last they broke through the inclosure and committed depredations on the neighboring farms. The farmers turned out with dogs and guns, but were never able to capture any of them. They were hunted day and night. They finally took up their abode in Sullivan county, where hunters tried in vain to kill them. Judge W. H. Crane, of this place, brother of the late Stephen Crane, was the only person who successfully brought down one of these wild boars. What has become of the remainder of the animals is a mystery, as they have disappeared. It is believed they all died.

MILES FAVORS GOOD ROADS.

Commander of the United States Army Illustrates Their Great Importance.

If Gen. Nelson A. Miles had his way the roads of the United States would be equal to those of any country on the globe. He tells a story of an old teamster out west who was driving over a very rough road in the Rocky mountains shortly after the Geronimo campaign. He had the general for a passenger. The wagon was an old prairie schooner, without springs or cushions, and the general was vainly attempting to fall asleep, says the Chicago Chronicle.

"But there was no sleep for me on that trip," says Gen. Miles, "for the old rascal drove over every bowlder in the road; in fact, he seemed to be doing it purposely. Finally I became interested and began to count the number of rocks over which the wheels of the wagon passed or which they struck. Suddenly, to my consternation, he missed one—a huge bowlder in the middle of the roadway.

"'Whoa! Hey!' I cried. 'Back up! Back up!'

"He quietly followed my instructions, seeming to be not at all surprised by them. When he had his wagon in the proper position I said: 'Now, drive over that rock, confound you! It's the only one you've missed.'

"Without so much as a glance in my direction, he replied: 'Cert, pard. Never noticed it. Ain't got a chew about yer?'

"I got out and walked the remaining eight miles."

"A Bright Little Boy"

Would be sure of a welcome in almost any home. But what a welcome he would have in a home where the hope of children had been extinguished. What a welcome this particular "bright little boy" did have in such a home, may be judged by the closing paragraph of his mother's letter, given below. There is no room for the whole letter, which recounts a story of fifteen years of suffering and a perfect cure by the use of "three bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, two bottles of 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and some of the 'Pellets.'"

In many instances childlessness is the result of conditions which are curable. It has often happened that when "Favorite Prescription" has cured a woman of female weakness and the nervous condition attending it, her return to health is signalized by the birth of her first child. "Favorite Prescription" makes weak women strong, sick women well.

"I cannot tell half that Dr. Pierce's medicine has done for me," writes Mrs. T. A. Ragan, of Norris, Watauga Co., N. C. "It will do all that is claimed for it—prevent miscarriage and render childbirth easy. It has given me a bright little boy, and I would not have had him had it not been for your wonderful medicine. I cannot say too much in praise of it; I think it is worth its weight in gold. I thank God for my life, and Dr. Pierce for my health."

"Pleasant Pellets" clear the complexion.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

ESTATE OF MARY ANN WALTERS, LATE OF BLOOMSBURG, PA., DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Mary Ann Walters, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, Pa., deceased, have been granted to John L. Walters, of Catawissa, Pa., to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 11, 1900,

at two o'clock p. m., all that certain lot, or piece of land, situate in the Town of Bloomsburg, County of Columbia, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: On the north by Brugler's alley, on the east by Iron street, on the south by lot now or late of B. R. Davis, and on the west by lot now or late of J. G. Wells, containing ninety-feet in front, on said Iron street, and extending back, of an equal breadth, fifty feet, whereon is erected a two and one-half story

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and outbuildings.

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HARMAN, Atty. Sheriff.

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at two o'clock p. m., all that certain piece, or parcel of land, situate in Bloomsburg, Columbia County, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a corner, in lot owned by Israel Murray, on the southeast side of Third street, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, and running thence northeastwardly along said street twenty-one (21) feet four and one-half (4½) inches; thence southeastwardly one hundred and ninety-eight (198) feet to an alley; thence along said alley south westwardly twenty-one (21) feet four and one-half (4½) inches, to Murray lot, aforesaid; thence along the same one hundred and ninety-eight (198) feet to the place of beginning, being the same land conveyed by Armetta Benchoff and husband to Willits Bauman, by deed of partition, dated May 18th, 1895, recorded in the Recorder's office of Columbia county, in deed book 58, page 70, having erected thereon a two-story

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By virtue of a writ of Levari Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and to me directed there will be exposed to public sale, at the Court House, county and state aforesaid, on

SATURDAY, JULY 28, 1900,

at two o'clock p. m., all that certain piece, parcel and tract of land, situate in the Town of Bloomsburg, Pa., bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a stone, on the south side of Sixth street, fifteen feet west of line of E. C. Caswell, being on west side of a fifteen-foot alley, laid out by D. J. Waller; thence along west side of said alley southward, one hundred and thirty and five-tenths feet to a stone; thence parallel with Sixth Street, aforesaid, westwardly, one hundred and seventy-five feet, more or less, to line of land of Bloomsburg & Sullivan Railroad Company; thence northwardly along said line of Bloomsburg & Sullivan Railroad twenty-one feet, more or less, to a stone; thence eastward, parallel with Sixth street, one hundred and ten feet, more or less, to a stone, seventy feet west of the westerly side of above alley; thence northwardly, parallel with said alley, one hundred and ten and five-tenths feet to Sixth street aforesaid; thence eastwardly along Sixth street seventy feet, to the place of beginning, being that portion of the premises described in the mortgage, executed by the Mears Manufacturing Company, to George E. Sponsler and Joseph W Eves, trustees, dated the first day of April A. D. 1893, recorded in Mortgage Book, Vol. 24, page 228, and named in judgment No. 179, February Term, 1900, and Levari Facias No. 55, September Term, 1900, being the writ upon which this sale is made, not heretofore sold, by virtue of legal process, on prior mortgage, upon the portion so sold, whereon is erected

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SALES.

AUGUST 2.—J. L. Walter, executor of Mary A. Walter deceased, will sell personal property on premises, corner of 3rd and Catharine street, at 1 p. m.

Lamps, burners, wicks, chimneys, globes, shades and all other lamp fixtures, at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

An investigation of land laws, etc., in Tennessee, is being made by representatives of the Boers. It is reported that a tract of from 7000 to 10,000 acres is desired and East Tennessee will be given the preference of examination.

These are days when no wise person will cherish violent passions or brood over troubles, real or imaginary. While the dog star rages it should be the highest ambition of mankind to take life as easily as the fates will permit.

McGinty's dam, near Buck Mountain, broke last week, Wednesday evening, and millions of trout that were in were washed into a sulphur creek a mile below and killed. The dam was owned by Father Reilly, of Shenandoah, and Dr. T. C. Biddle, of the Ashland Hospital, and was the best fishing pond in the coal regions.

Application has been made for the establishment of free mail delivery in the rural districts of Montour County. The petitioners have been informed that the matter has been referred to the Postoffice Department, but owing to the fact that the appropriation for this branch of the mail service is nearly exhausted, it will likely be some time before the ruralists of our adjoining county will realize their wishes.

Mrs. William Jennings Bryan is the great-granddaughter of Col. Henry Winter, who was, at the beginning of the century, a prominent citizen of Lower Mt. Bethel township, Northampton county. Colonel Winters was, in his day, quite a noted personage. For forty years he was identified with military matters, and for some time was colonel of the Twenty-sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers.

The "Farm Journal" is cheap, but not too cheap to be good; it is full of ginger and gumption, and has many other good things in it that you can use as any paper at any price. We have a clubbing arrangement by which the COLUMBIAN is sent one year, and the Farm Journal" nearly 5 years (remainder of 1900, and all of 1901, 1902, 1903 and 1904), both for $1.00. Pay in advance and get two big prizes.

An ordinance, now before the Council of Bradford, is to the effect that expectorating on any public sidewalk, in any public building, street car, or any other public conveyance, must be stopped. The penalty is five dollars fine, or ten days' imprisonment, or less, for each and every violation. The passage of such an ordinance would be welcomely received by many residents of this town. It would eliminate one of the most filthy and disreputable habits that our people have to contend with.

Augustus Hartman died at the Danville Hospital on Tuesday, of which institution he has been an inmate for the past five years. He is survived by a family consisting of a wife and five children, residing in Orangeville, to which his remains were taken. The funeral will occur today. He was nearly fifty years of age.

Soo Lee, a chinaman, alleged to be affected with leprosy, is at large at Olyphant, and as a result the residents of that place are highly and justly indignant. Last week he delivered laundry about the town, but the packages were all consigned to the fire. The Board of Health has been requested to look into the case, but as yet no action has been taken.

Something unparalleled in the history of the railroad business was discovered Monday at the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western depot, at Pittston when the freight hands opened a car that had been sealed at Shamokin several days ago and found among its contents three almost famished children, a boy and two girls, their ages ranging from five to nine years. Each child had a tag attached to its clothing marked Okitz. The little ones were nearly starved and had been without water for two days.

Dicipline is the best thing that can befall a small boy. The earlier in his journey through the world it begins the better will it be for the man who is presently to be evolved from the boy. It is not necessary to be brutal in the enforcement of discipline. There are men and women in the world today who obey the commands of their old parents as swiftly and as implicitly as they did in their childhood. They could do nothing else. It is no hardship for them to obey; it would be a hardship to disobey, because it would involve the breaking of a life long habit. On the other hand the secret of the multiplied misfortunes of others is to be discovered in the fact that they have never been taught to obey. Discipline they know not in youth, and thus it happens that the stern and implacable hand of fate is bringing to them in their adult years that experience which wise home training would have enabled them to escape. It is not kindness to a lad to permit him to have his own way—it is the worst of cruelties.

MEETING OF SCHOOL BOARD.

Bids Received and Contracts Awarded.

The Directors of the Bloomsburg School District held a meeting in the Centre Street High School Building Monday night. As the business before the Board on this occasion was of more than ordinary importance, all the members were in attendance. The first in order was the reports of the various committees. Repairs were recommended at the different buildings, and the committee empowered to see that the same be made at once.

Secretary Joseph Garrison reported the amount of the tax duplicate this year, $17,417.70, being a slight increase over last year.

Bids for furnishing coal and supplies were opened. The contract for the coal, 275 tons of No. 6 and 25 tons of No. 4, was awarded to P. G. Miller, his bid of $630.00 being the lowest received. S. R. Bidleman's offer to furnish the supplies, consisting of books, tablets, etc., for $365.00, and it being the lowest, was accepted.

There was considerable other business considered, after which the meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be held Friday evening, August 17th, at which time the teachers are to be present and sign their contracts.

Must Answer at Court.

Bail in the sum of $1000 each for their appearance at court in Scranton in March next, was the result of a hearing given Moore and Pennington of Fairmount Springs, who are charged with breaking into and looting the Nanticoke post office. The hearing was held before United States Commissioner Hahn. The most damaging evidence produced was the finding of a lot of unused stamps in an old clock at Moore's home. It is said that more arrests will follow.

Piano Tuning And Repairing.

Julius Lindegren, expert tuner and repairer of pianos is here. He is pronounced perfect in every respect in that line from Steinway & Sons and many others, and will come here every six months. Leave orders before Saturday at Wells' Hardware Store. 11*

For Rent.

Two of the best rooms for offices in the town, second floor front COLUMBIAN building. Will be rented together or separately. Water, steam heat, electric light, and all modern conveniences. Terms low. Inquire of Geo. E. Elwell. tf

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Now we not only repeat that Sale of Sales, but increase its attractiveness, in accordance with our increased facilities, increased experience and increased popularity of our business.

Larger business a merchant does, greater the accumulation of Odds and Ends and Remnants, at the same time more desirable are the Odds and Ends due to the fact of rapid ingress and egress, goods constantly on the move, coming in and going out.

If there is a shopworn article in this house, we don't know it. If there is a remnant or short length in any Department, it won't stay there, if the price will remove it.

None are so hard to convince as those who are not willing to be convinced.

None are so blind or deaf as those who don't want to see or hear.

A Blind Eye or a Deaf Ear turned to this announcement, means closing your eyes to a bona fide saving.

A Person With One Eye Can see more to their interest at this sale than they could see with two eyes elsewhere.

Odd Pieces, Odd Dozens, Short Cuts, and Remnants are worth more to our customers than to us. We are preparing for our Annual Inventory, and it is more to our interest to sell odds and ends and remnants at half price, or even quarter price, in some instances, than hold them for regular price, or three-quarters of their regular price.

No Compulsion about buying at this sale, and if you are not satisfied after having attended, and believe we do not comply with our promises, you may hand in your name and address and your car fare or for lost time will be refunded. We are entitled to the confidence of the public and are determined to have it.

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A NEW INDUSTRY.

Catawissa Has A Car Building Works With John K. Lockard at the Head.

The plant of the Hamlin Car Wheel and Manufacturing Company, capital stock $10,000.00 at this place, has been sold to John K. Lockard, of Bloomsburg, representing a company of capitalists, who will at once erect the necessary additional buildings and install the new machinery required in the construction of cars. It will require about fifty men as soon as the works get under way, and as the business developes the force will be increased.

Mr. Lockard has been in the business of manufacturing cars for the past quarter of a century, and is, in fact, a part of the trade itself. He is at present actively engaged in the business, but is having his cars built for him at different shops. Under this new departure he will have his own works for the purpose.

A new company will be formed under the same title, "The Hamlin Car Wheel and Manufacturing Company," with new officers, the capital stock will be increased and the business will be pushed for all there is in it. It will take about thirty days to get the plant ready for business.

The export trade and the anthracite coal trade will be looked after closely. This trade takes largely narrow-guage and dump-cars, the latter being manufactured under Mr. Lockard's own patents; the mine car wheels, grate bars, etc., now manufactured under the Hamlin patents are also largely used in the anthracite coal trade, and will be manufactured by the new company.

The citizens of Catawissa should give the new industry every encouragement in their power, as there is no telling to what proportions it may grow. There is an increasing market for its product and the men at the head of the concern are in a position to command a goodly share of the trade.

Here's to the new industry; may it never cease to grow.—Catawissa *News Item.*

Queens of The Garden.

A Rarely Beautiful Picture, Which Will Be Given Free to Every Person Next Sunday.

Another wonderful flower-piece has been secured by the publishers of the "Great Philadelphia Sunday Press," and will be given free with every copy of "The Sunday Press," next Sunday, July 29. The size of this picture is 10 by 30 inches. It is a splendid panel, one of the greatest works of Sanbon, and represents a cluster of the most beautiful flowers of the season. Its distribution is certain to cause a sensation, and as the supply will be limited you will make a mistake if you do not order next Sunday's "Press" from your newsdealer in advance.

NOW A QUESTION OF JURISDICTION.

Two counties are interested in a controversy, which has developed since the killing of Fred Kline by Arthur Brown on July 4th, the particulars of which have already been printed in the COLUMBIAN. The tragedy occurred on the platform of a boat landing on the Susquehanna River, which makes the dividing line between Northumberland and Snyder Counties. The question of jurisdiction, which is to determine in which county the trial is to take place, resolves itself on the simple proposition of whether or not the platform, which, by reason of the unquietness of the water, floats from one county to the other, was afloat at the time of the affair. If it was aground the platform was in Northumberland County. If it was afloat it is reasonable to believe the platform was within the borders of Snyder County. It is an extremely delicate proposition which confronts the authorities.

Silk Mill Picnic.

On Saturday, August 18th, the Bloomsburg Silk Mill Employes will run their second annual excursion. Train will leave Philadelphia & Reading Station, Bloomsburg, at 7:30 a. m., for Milton, where the day will be spent at Milton Park, in boating, bathing, dancing, etc.

Returning, train will leave Milton at 6:30 p. m.

Price of excursion ticket, including trolley fare, to and from Milton Park, 65 cents. Children, 35 cents.

Tickets can be purchased from the committee one week in advance of the excursion, or on morning of excursion.

Youthful Robbers.

Within the past two weeks the ticket office at the Berwick D. L. & W. depot has been broken open three times and about $50.00 stolen. A shanty along the canal occupied by Hoffman a young man from Catawissa an employee of the American Car and Foundry Company was broken into the 8th, and some money and two revolvers taken. Chief of Police Clayberger was put upon the cases and on Thursday last he had Clarence Beaver, a young man from Pottsville, committed to jail and four other boys from Berwick bound over to court.

Lutheran Picnic.

The Lutheran Sunday School and Church will hold their annual picnic at Grassmere Park, on line of B. & S. R. R., Wednesday, August 1st. The public are invited to join with them. Fare for the round trip 50c. Train will leave at 8 a. m. In case of rain picnic will be held next day.

COMMITTEE.

A DOLLAR A YEAR NOT ENOUGH.

Twenty years' hard experience, off and on, have taught us that $1.50 per year is the minimum rate an editor can afford to furnish his weekly to his subscribers for, says a veteran California publisher. There are a great many expenses connected with the work of getting up and supplying a local weekly that are not at first sight apparent, and yet the number of subscribers which a publisher can get is limited—far too limited. The metropolitan weeklies on this coast, with their superb equipment for printing papers, and having the country weekly to compete with, do not furnish their papers for less than $1.50 per year, and this of itself is about all the argument that is needed to show that $1 is too low.

It is not taffy—but a fact—to say that Osborn (editor of the new paper) has got hustle enough to put his paper wherever it can be placed regardless of price. But supposing he got and maintained 1000 paid-in-advance subscribers. He will find his expenses—even if he does lift his type from a daily—will absorb half of it, leaving $500 for himself and partner to divide for work than which there is no more exacting on the footstool.

But why should an editor belittle his product? If a principal of a school is worth $100 or more per month, and a preacher thinks he is starving to death if receiving a less sum, then, surely an editor with all his responsibilities is worth fully $150 per month; but it can never be made from a $1-per-year subscription rate in the country newspaper business.

Your editor has to be self-respecting. He ought to wear good clothes and live well. He has to feel that he is worthy of his position, and he must have his debts paid. He occupies a leading place in society—or ought to; and for all these reasons and more, he must make his business pay or his labor is useless, and he is an incumbrance to the community.

In conclusion—for we could fill our columns with pertinent points on the subject—let every honorable editor bear in mind that for every paid-up subscription he receives, he virtually gives his note of hand to more than repay for the value received, and when adverse seasons come, like the one we are now experieucing and through which he must go, where is his 'reserve' fund coming from to meet it?

If the crops fail, the farmer can whistle and go elsewhere for a job. If the storekeepers's goods don't sell, they can remain on the shelves. But an editor's stock in trade is his location and the regular issuance of his paper, no matter what may come in or go out. His paper, ink, wear on type, labor and rent bills are all unceasing, consuming factors right along, like compound interest. He sends his paper out to hundreds, the money coming in in dribs, and he must take chances of getting it at that. He must be constantly striving or the result of his efforts and 'stock in trade' vanish like the mist before a summer sun.—*Press and Printer.*

What this California editor says is equally as true in Pennsylvania. At the present high price of paper there is no profit in a newspaper at one dollar a year, and this makes it all the more necessary that prompt payments should be made by subscribers.

BRIDGE LETTINGS.

We, the undersigned, Commissioners of Columbia County, Pennsylvania will receive bids for the building of the following bridges:

One double stone arch bridge in Benton township, over Raven Creek, near Smith's store; one single stone arch bridge over Briar Creek, near M. H. Petty's, in Briar Creek township; substructure for one bridge over Roaring Creek, near H. Litwiler's in Locust township; substructure for one bridge in Mt. Pleasant township, over Deer Lick Run, near Frank Dolman's, and substructure for one bridge in Montour township, over Wabash Creek, near John Deimer's;

Also for the rebuilding of abutments and raising of bridge over Hemlock Creek, near John Gordon's.

Plans and specifications may be seen at any time at Commissioners' office. Bids to be in by August 8th, 1900, at 12 o'clock noon, and to be opened at 1:30 o'clock p. m. same day.

Bids will also be received for the superstructure of above three bridges which are to be built of steel and iron, until Tuesday, August 7th, at 12 o'clock noon, to be opened at 1:30 p. m. same day.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

NEHEMIAH KITCHEN, WM. KRICKBAUM, W. H. FISHER, } County Comm'rs.

Attest:—R. F. VANDERSLICE, Clerk.

Second-Hand Wheels

At Mercer's Drug and Book Store, getting very scarce. We now have left the following only: One ladies', in good condition, at $12.00; one Alton, new this year, $40.00 list price, that can be bought for $25.00. This wheel has not been run 60 miles. One Crescent tandem for $30.00. This we regard as the best bargain we have been able to offer this year in tandems. If you want a new wheel, it will pay you to get our prices, as we will promise you a real bargain.

Millville is to have a band. The instruments have been ordered.

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